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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

A REPORT BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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SUMMARY: Total unemployment in New Hampshire decreased by 9,550 from mid-July to mid-August. The latest total of 18,550 unemployed represents 3.4 percent of the civilian labor force of 550,580. In July the rate was 5.1 percent and a year ago it was 3.7 percent. Nationally the rates were 6.9 percent in August, 7.4 percent in July and 7.3 percent a year ago. The significantly reduced state unemployment rate is in part the result of factory workers having returned to work after the annual July vacation plant shutdowns. Also, there were fewer unemployed new entrants and reentrants entering the labor force in August. Construction activities in August continued at a brisk pace as many workers were hired to stay abreast of the demand for new buildings, housing, and heavy construction projects. The services and trade divisions added on 4,650 workers as tourism reached its peak levels throughout the state. Some job openings involved replacement for students and teachers employed in trade and services who dropped out of the labor force in order to return to school. Manufacturing increased by 1,850 workers in August. All labor market areas reported unemployment decreases led by the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA with 3,010 fewer unemployed. The Manchester area recorded 1,430 fewer unemployed, while in the Laconia area there were 1,130 less unemployed. Unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.3 percent in the Claremont area to a high of 5.4 percent in the Salem area (N.H. portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill Massachusetts PMSA).

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 6,450 from July as manufacturing is up by 1,850 and nonmanufacturing by 4,600. Within the nonmanufacturing division, construction is up 1,550, trade 1,500, and services 1,600. Compared to the year ago level, nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 30,650 workers as manufacturing decreased 4,600 while nonmanufacturing increased 35,250. The largest gain occurred in trade which is up 15,350 over last year. The largest drop in jobs occurred in electrical products which is down 2,600 from last year. Leather and leather products is down 1,050 from a year ago.

Manchester Economic Conditions: Total unemployment decreased by 1,430 as the unemployment rate dropped from 4.2 to 2.6 percent. A year ago the rate was 2.9 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 1,300 workers from July, and is up 2,800 from the year ago level. While the manufacturing division decreased by 100 over the year, the nonmanufacturing sector increased by 2,900. Construction is up 700 and services 1,100 over last year's level.

Nashua Economic Conditions: Total unemployment decreased by 960 from July as the jobless count went from 4,290 to 3,330. The unemployment rate dropped from 4.4 percent in July to 3.5 percent in August. A year ago the rate was 2.7 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 300 from July and is up by 2,750 from a year ago. Over the year manufacturing has decreased by 850 workers while nonmanufacturing has increased by 3,600. Construction is up 600, services 950, and trade by 1,450 over the year ago level.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Month	Year	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Month	Year	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	550,580	551,860	532,070	-1,280	18,510	83,180	88,090	86,990	90	1,190	96,380	96,480	94,400	-100	1,980
2. Unemployment	18,550	28,100	19,650	-9,550	-1,100	2,280	3,710	2,490	-1,430	-210	3,330	4,290	2,510	-960	820
Percent of labor force	3.4	5.1	3.7	xxx	xxx	2.6	4.2	2.9	xxx	xxx	3.5	4.4	2.7	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	531,730	523,710	512,420	8,020	19,310	85,900	84,380	84,500	1,520	1,400	93,050	92,190	91,890	860	1,160
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	300	50	0	250	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	488,950	482,500	458,300	6,450	30,650	79,400	78,100	76,600	1,300	2,800	83,650	83,350	80,900	300	2,750
Manufacturing	120,600	118,750	125,200	1,850	-4,600	15,850	15,250	15,950	600	-100	36,800	36,650	37,650	150	-850
Durable goods	82,150	81,400	84,600	750	-2,450	9,250	8,850	9,250	400	0	31,350	31,300	31,400	50	-50
Lumber & wood prods.	5,500	5,300	5,400	200	100										
Furniture & fixtures	1,300	1,100	1,350	200	-50										
Stone & clay prods.	2,900	2,900	3,000	0	-100										
Primary metal prods.	4,550	4,600	4,600	-50	-50										
Fabricated metal prods.	6,600	6,800	7,050	-200	-450										
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,050*	24,950*	24,450	100	600	Machinery And Electrical Products Combined									
Electrical prods.	25,550	25,300	28,150	250	-2,600	5,650	5,350	5,750	300	-100	24,400	24,200	24,300	200	100
Miscellaneous prods.	2,250	2,150	2,200	100	50										
Other durables	8,450	8,300	8,400	150	50	3,600	3,500	3,500	100	100	6,950	7,100	7,100	-150	-150
Nondurable goods	38,450	37,350	40,600	1,100	-2,150	6,600	6,400	6,700	200	-100	5,450	5,350	6,250	100	-800
Food & kindred prods.	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0										
Textile mill prods.	3,750	3,500	4,200	250	-450										
Apparel	2,450	2,300	2,650	150	-200	2,000	1,800	1,900	200	100					
Paper & allied prods.	5,400	5,450	5,600	-50	-200										
Print., pub. & allied	6,750	6,850	7,150	-100	-400										
Leather & lea. prods.	6,450	5,950	7,500	500	-1,050										
Other nondurables	10,650	10,300	10,500	350	150	4,600	4,600	4,800	0	-200					
Nonmanufacturing	368,350	363,750	333,100	4,600	35,250	63,550	62,850	60,650	700	2,900	46,850	46,700	43,250	150	3,600
Construction (inc. min.)	36,300	34,750	26,950	1,550	9,350	5,050	4,900	4,350	150	700	4,300	4,200	3,700	100	600
Trans., comm. & util.	15,300	15,200	14,700	100	600	4,800	4,750	4,700	50	100	2,200	2,200	2,050	0	150
Trade	125,700	124,200	110,350	1,500	15,350	20,450	20,350	20,200	100	250	17,600	17,500	16,150	100	1,450
Fin., ins. & real estate	26,350	26,200	24,100	150	2,250	6,950	6,900	6,600	50	350	2,800	2,850	2,650	-50	150
Service industry & other	104,750	103,150	98,550	1,600	6,200	19,000	18,650	17,900	350	1,100	15,000	15,000	14,050	0	950
Government	59,950	60,250	58,450	-300	1,500	7,300	7,300	6,900	0	400	4,950	4,950	4,650	0	300
Federal	12,250	12,300	11,900	-50	350	2,250	2,250	2,200	0	50	700	700	700	0	0
State	16,450	16,550	15,450	-100	1,000	850	850	800	0	50	200	200	200	0	0
Local	31,250	31,400	31,100	-150	150	4,200	4,200	3,900	0	300	4,050	4,050	3,750	0	300

* By place of residence
** By place of establishment
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Labor Disputes: *Machinery-300 August
50 July

Total Unemployment and Labor Force by Area and County

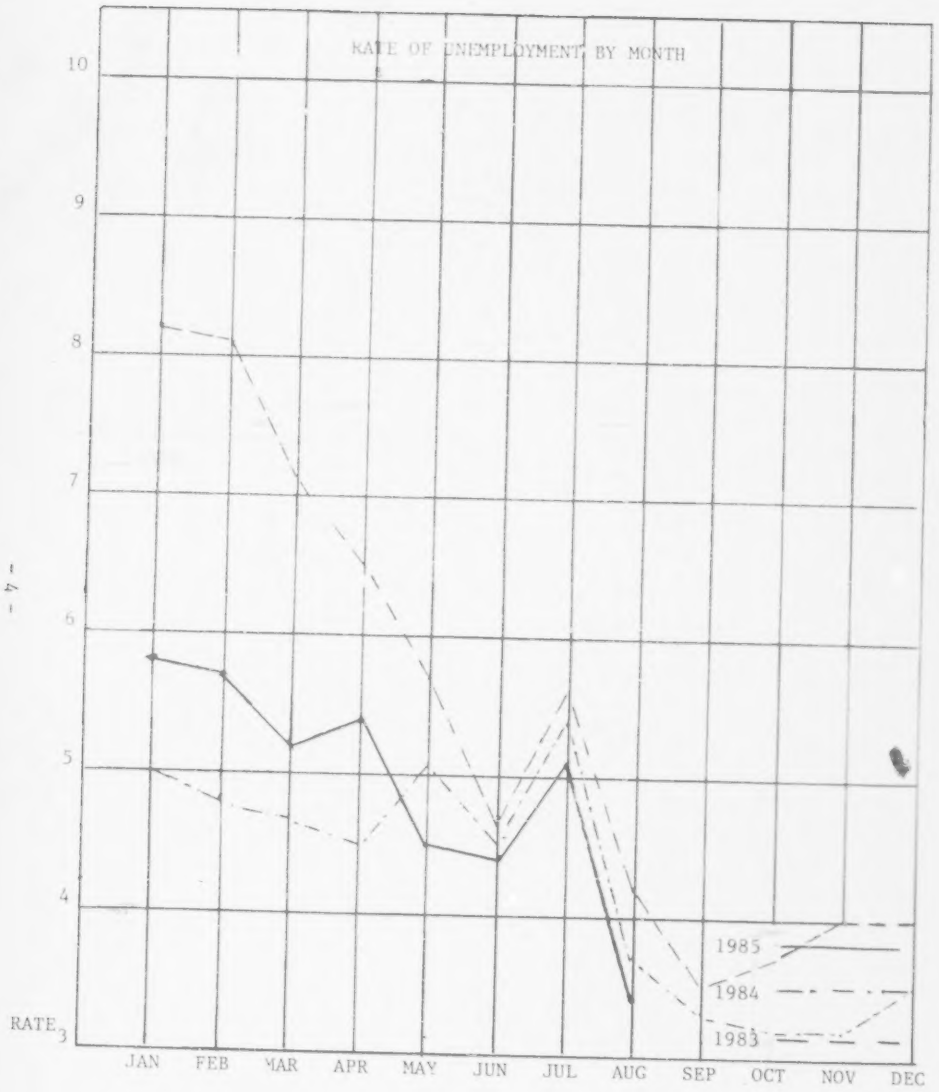
Area	Unemployment* August 1985 Number	Rate	July 1985 Number	Rate	August 1984 Number	Rate	Numerical Change From Previous Month	Year	Civilian Labor Force August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Numerical Change From Previous Month	Year
United States**	8,051	6.9	8,682	7.4	8,382	7.3	-631	-331	116,679	117,536	115,076	-857	1,603
New Hampshire	18,550	3.4	28,100	5.1	19,650	3.7	-9,550	-1,100	550,580	551,860	532,070	-1,280	18,510
Area													
Berlin LMA	820	3.9	1,010	4.8	800	4.0	-190	20	21,110	20,850	20,070	260	1,040
Claremont LMA	910	2.3	1,240	3.2	860	2.3	-330	50	39,370	38,340	36,600	1,030	2,770
Concord LMA	1,150	2.5	1,660	3.7	1,170	2.7	-510	-20	46,060	45,380	43,660	680	2,400
Keene LMA	1,160	3.0	1,800	4.6	970	2.6	-640	190	39,140	39,310	37,290	-170	1,850
Laconia LMA	1,250	2.5	2,380	4.7	1,230	2.6	-1,130	20	49,780	50,210	47,940	-430	1,840
Littleton LMA	440	2.7	1,120	6.9	410	2.7	-680	30	16,010	16,130	15,140	-120	870
Manchester MSA	2,280	2.6	3,710	4.2	2,490	2.9	-1,430	-210	88,180	88,090	86,990	90	1,190
Nashua PMSA	3,330	3.5	4,290	4.4	2,510	2.7	-960	820	96,380	96,480	94,400	-100	1,980
N.H. Portion of Lawrence Haverhill MA. PMSA ***	2,620	5.4	3,100	6.5	3,200	6.9	-480	-880	48,120	47,470	46,430	650	1,690
Portsmouth - Dover - Rochester N.H. - ME.	3,820	3.4	6,830	6.0	5,480	5.1	-3,010	-1,660	110,760	114,180	108,150	-3,420	2,610
Unattached Estimating Area ****	760	5.0	1,060	6.9	870	6.0	-300	-110	15,300	15,440	14,410	-140	890
Town of Pelham (Part of Lowell MA - NH PMSA)	270	5.2	310	5.9	110	2.3	-40	160	5,170	5,230	4,720	-60	450
County													
Belknap	640	2.5	1,550	6.0	620	2.6	-910	20	25,240	25,780	24,280	-540	960
Carroll	410	2.7	560	3.8	390	2.7	-150	20	15,000	14,900	14,320	100	680
Cheshire	1,080	3.1	1,690	4.8	910	2.7	-610	170	35,090	35,280	33,440	-190	1,650
Coos	810	4.3	1,010	5.5	740	4.2	-200	70	18,690	18,440	17,710	250	980
Grafton	870	2.3	1,610	4.3	870	2.5	-740	0	37,590	37,230	35,510	360	2,080
Hillsborough	5,800	3.2	8,250	4.5	5,010	2.8	-2,450	790	182,680	182,830	178,570	-150	4,110
Merrimack	1,390	2.4	1,910	3.4	1,380	2.5	-520	10	57,410	56,590	54,760	820	2,650
Rockingham	4,740	4.3	6,520	5.9	6,640	6.2	-1,780	-1,900	109,560	109,960	107,040	-400	2,520
Strafford	2,290	4.7	4,180	8.2	2,590	5.4	-1,890	-300	49,020	50,950	47,560	-1,930	1,460
Sullivan	520	2.6	820	4.1	500	2.6	-300	20	20,300	19,900	18,880	400	1,420

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" Handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA — includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA — is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1985	1984	1983	1982
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current month - August	319.6			
Percent change from year ago	3.0			
Year average		307.6	297.4	288.6
Percent increase each year		3.4	3.0	6.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - August	323.5			
Percent change from year ago	3.4			
Year average		311.1	298.4	289.1
Percent increase each year		4.3	3.2	6.1

STATES ARRAYED BY TAX RATE BASED ON TOTAL WAGES

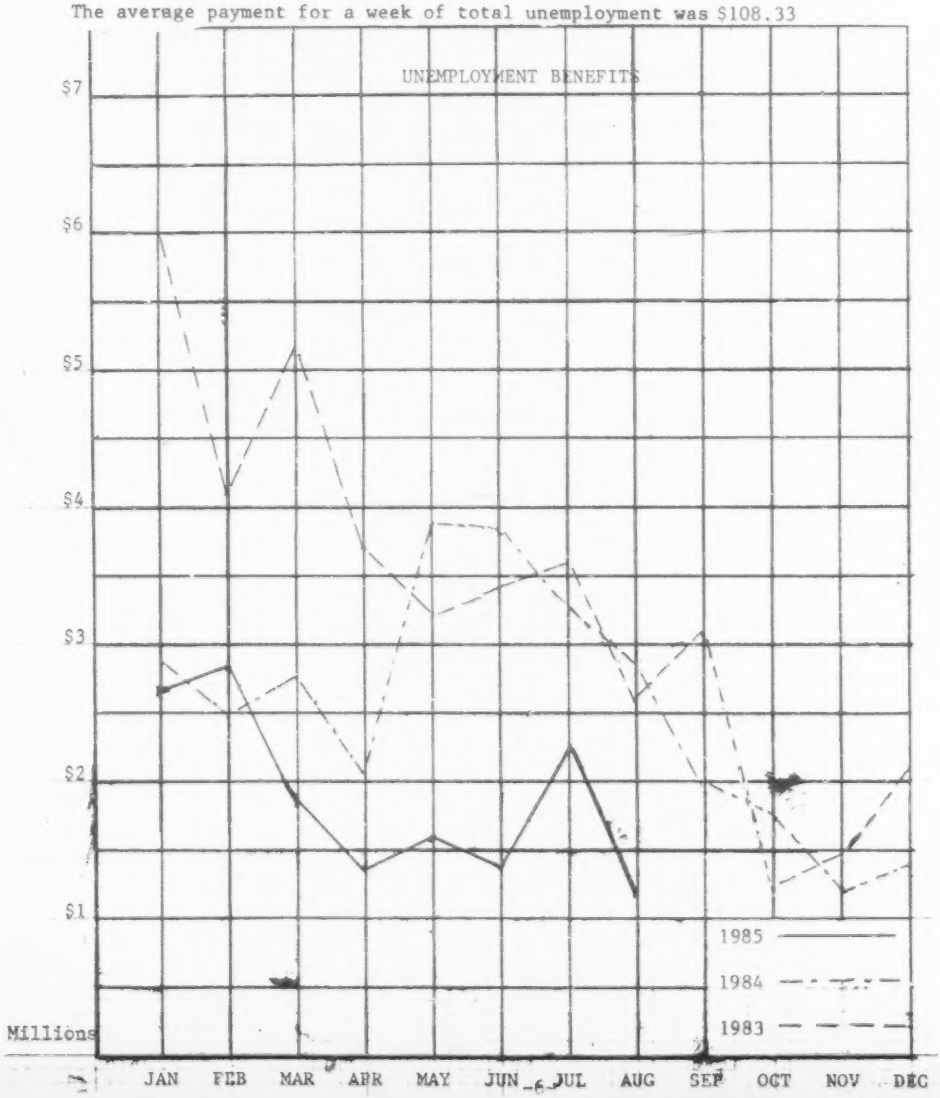
STATE NAMES	TAX RATE $7,000 EXCEPT AS SHOWN	Estimated 1985 AVERAGE TAX RATE TAXABLE	TOTAL	5-31-85 LOANS OUTSTANDING (MILLIONS)
Puerto Rico		5.4	3.1	$27.3
Virgin Islands	$14,000	3.9	3.1	$3.7
Wisconsin	$9,500	4.6	2.5	$388.8
Michigan	$9,000	5.9	2.3	$1,320.7
Rhode Island	$10,600	4.1	2.3	
Pennsylvania	$8,000	5.3	2.2	$1,475.1
Vermont	$8,000	4.4	2.1	$13.6
Idaho	$15,000	3.0	2.0	
Montana	$8,600	3.3	2.0	$17.4
Washington	$10,000	4.1	2.0	
West Virginia	$8,000	4.6	2.0	$303.0
North Dakota	$10,700	3.4	1.9	$9.3
Oregon	$13,000	3.1	1.9	
Illinois	$8,500	4.4	1.8	$1,206.7
Iowa	$11,200	3.4	1.8	
Wyoming	$9,500	3.7	1.8	
Kentucky	$8,000	3.6	1.7	
Louisiana		4.1	1.7	$471.5
Utah	$12,100	2.5	1.6	
Maine		3.2	1.5	
New Jersey	$10,100	3.4	1.5	$232.5
Alaska	$21,800	2.2	1.4	
Arkansas	$7,500	2.7	1.4	
Mississippi		3.0	1.4	
North Carolina	$8,700	2.7	1.4	
Ohio	$8,000	4.2	1.4	$1,052.7
Alabama	$8,000	2.5	1.3	
Kansas	$8,000	2.7	1.3	
Nevada	$11,100	2.3	1.3	
UNITED STATES		3.1	1.3	$6,867.9
California		3.2	1.2	
Colorado	$8,000	2.8	1.2	
Delaware	$8,000	3.5	1.2	
Minnesota	$10,300	2.6	1.2	$128.9
Hawaii	$15,100	1.6	1.1	
New York		3.3	1.1	
Connecticut	$7,100	2.7	1.0	$147.5
Dist. of Columbia	$8,000	3.0	1.0	$13.3
Indiana		2.5	1.0	
Maryland		3.3	1.0	
Oklahoma		2.3	1.0	
South Carolina		2.1	1.0	
Tennessee		2.4	1.0	
Massachusetts		2.1	0.9	
Missouri	$8,000	2.5	0.9	
Nebraska		1.9	0.9	
Georgia		1.7	0.8	
South Dakota		1.4	0.7	
Virginia		1.8	0.7	
ARIZONA		1.8	0.6	
Florida		1.3	0.6	
New Hampshire		1.4	0.6	
Texas		1.5	0.6	$55.9

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Labor/ETA/UIS, Office of Legislation and Actuarial Services; June, 1985.

Weekly Claims Filed During August 1985
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	3,413	13,543	7	31	8	21	22	72	17	53
Berlin	178	803	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1
Claremont	116	418	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Concord	287	800	2	5	0	0	3	5	0	0
Conway	77	322	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dover	551	2,277	1	3	1	2	5	10	2	10
Keene	131	1,094	0	13	0	10	2	0	0	0
Laconia	165	634	0	8	2	3	0	3	1	3
Lebanon	37	248	0	0	0	2	0	7	1	2
Littleton	82	392	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
Manchester	397	1,757	1	0	1	0	3	18	7	24
Nashua	390	1,602	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	4
Portsmouth	706	1,572	1	0	1	1	7	20	4	4
Salem	125	647	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0
Liable Interstate	171	977	1	2	1	1	0	0	2	5

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $108.33



Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$113,815,739.80

Net contributions received during month:

$ 3,158,030.99

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 1,181,303.79

Interest Received:

$ 2,724,823.55

AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
All manufacturing	$340.57	$338.89	$320.69	40.4	40.2	40.8	$8.43	$8.43	$7.86
Durable goods	356.06	350.21	332.10	40.6	40.3	41.0	8.77	8.69	8.10
Lumber & wood prods.	258.06	234.95	262.26	39.1	37.0	41.3	6.60	6.35	6.35
Furniture & fixtures	278.86	279.59	263.15	38.2	38.3	37.7	7.30	7.30	6.98
Stone & clay prods.	344.29	317.90	311.67	42.4	40.6	41.5	8.12	7.83	7.51
Primary metal prods.	384.29	375.42	351.92	41.5	41.3	42.4	9.26	9.09	8.30
Fab. metal prods.	312.96	295.22	301.38	38.4	37.8	40.4	8.15	7.81	7.46
Mach. (exc. elec.)	389.37	288.94	376.26	43.7	43.8	43.1	8.91	8.88	8.73
Electrical prods.	377.28	371.88	333.52	39.3	38.9	39.8	9.60	9.56	8.38
Miscellaneous prods.	249.62	248.07	247.46	38.7	38.7	41.8	6.45	6.41	5.92
Other durables	367.93	367.77	341.65	40.7	41.0	40.1	9.04	8.97	8.52
Nondurable goods	309.62	317.59	298.62	39.9	40.1	40.3	7.76	7.92	7.41
Food & kindred prods.	385.12	408.79	407.53	41.5	42.1	42.1	9.28	9.71	9.68
Textile mill prods.	267.34	268.38	269.17	39.2	37.8	39.7	6.82	7.10	6.78
Apparel	218.04	210.66	209.25	37.4	36.7	37.3	5.83	5.74	5.61
Paper & allied prods.	432.43	439.89	437.81	46.2	46.5	47.9	9.36	9.46	9.14
Print., pub. & allied	328.16	322.74	289.20	39.3	39.6	39.4	8.35	8.15	7.34
Leather & lea. prods.	200.57	204.61	192.60	36.6	36.8	35.8	5.48	5.56	5.38
Footwear	187.88	188.86	183.89	36.2	36.6	35.5	5.19	5.16	5.18
Other nondurables	336.04	345.06	323.46	40.1	40.5	41.1	8.38	8.52	7.87

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 57%

Total Production Workers: 83,000

Firms Reporting: 370

Manchester MSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
All manufacturing	$327.20	$327.06	$300.53	40.0	39.5	39.7	$8.18	$8.28	$7.57
Durable goods	359.24	363.91	323.61	40.5	40.3	40.1	8.87	9.03	8.07
Mach. & elec. prods.	356.40	362.87	326.03	40.0	39.4	40.5	8.91	9.21	8.05
Other durables	364.27	366.50	319.56	41.3	41.6	39.5	8.82	8.81	8.09
Nondurable goods	284.20	279.17	270.96	39.2	38.4	39.1	7.25	7.27	6.93
Textiles & apparel	266.37	245.63	261.50	39.0	37.5	38.4	6.83	6.55	6.81
Other nondurables	291.61	292.16	275.01	39.3	38.8	39.4	7.42	7.53	6.98

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 49%

Total Production Workers: 11,450

Firms Reporting: 38

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	August 1985	July 1985	August 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984	Aug. 1985	July 1985	Aug. 1984
All manufacturing	$407.42	$401.76	$381.82	40.1	39.7	41.1	$10.16	$10.12	9.29
Durable goods	415.74	407.23	385.85	40.6	40.2	41.4	10.24	10.13	9.32
Mach. & elec. prods.	445.32	435.11	409.44	40.3	39.7	40.7	11.05	10.96	10.06
Other durables	336.15	332.83	321.53	41.5	45.1	43.1	8.10	8.02	7.46
Nondurable goods	366.60	379.01	363.37	37.6	37.6	39.8	9.75	10.08	9.13

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 69%

Total Production Workers: 20,450

Firms Reporting: 76

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category

Period Ending August 1985

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	11,205	5,173	1,853	913	1,230	580
Prof., Tech., Managerial (00,19)	1,634	586	239	75	269	90
Clerical (20-24)	2,050	1,685	326	263	194	149
Sales (25-29)	683	339	215	121	43	23
Services (3)	1,793	1,032	294	166	126	72
Farm (4)	151	35	13	3	17	3
Processing (5)	214	78	32	13	33	9
Machine Trade (6)	1,013	302	141	52	90	18
Benchwork (7)	1,208	828	244	160	246	175
Structural (8)	1,176	49	161	13	90	5
Miscellaneous (9)	1,074	228	186	45	109	33
Unclassified	29	11	2	2	13	3

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	August 1985	July 1985	July 1, 1985 to August 31, 1985
Total new applicants for employment	2,627	2,933	5,560
Total nonagricultural job openings received	3,280	2,538	5,818
Job openings unfilled end of month	3,057	2,543	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	1,287	1,244	2,531

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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

A REPORT BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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SUMMARY: Total unemployment in New Hampshire remained nearly unchanged from mid-January to mid-February with 20,690 unemployed (only 30 less than the January total). The unemployment rate was 3.8 percent for both January and February. A year ago the rate was 4.6 percent. Nationally the rates were 7.8 percent in February, 7.3 percent in January, and 7.8 percent a year ago. It should be noted that the latest labor force data by state (January 1986) indicates that New Hampshire has recorded the lowest unemployment rate of all the states for six consecutive months. In addition, New Hampshire tied with Massachusetts in 1985 and with South Dakota in both 1984 and 1983 for the lowest annual unemployment rate in the country.

Seven labor market areas had changes in unemployment of 100 or less in February. The unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.4 percent in the Claremont labor market area to a high of 6.7 percent in the Salem area. Six areas were above and six areas were below the State rate of 3.8 percent. While trade establishments were experiencing a slow period following annual inventories, ski operations were running at higher levels than a year ago in many areas. Layoffs in manufacturing decreased from January, while layoffs in nonmanufacturing increased slightly. The Salem area (New Hampshire portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill MA. PMSA) had the largest increase in unemployment with 570 as layoffs occurred at the Seabrook Nuclear Power Project due to some construction phases being completed. Compared with a year ago, eight areas had lower unemployment this February.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 1,950 from January as manufacturing was down 350 and nonmanufacturing 1,600. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural wage and salary employment is up by 27,450 as manufacturing is down 2,050 while nonmanufacturing is up 29,500. In the manufacturing sector, electrical products lost 2,200 workers from last year, however, in nonmanufacturing trade gained 7,800, services 8,350, and construction is up 8,600.

MANCHESTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment remained nearly unchanged as the unemployment rate increased slightly from 3.6 to 3.7 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.5 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 600 from January, but is up 3,400 jobs from a year ago. While manufacturing is down 550, nonmanufacturing is up 3,950. Construction and trade are each up 1,250 over last year's level, and services has increased by 700.

NASHUA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment increased by 120 from January as the unemployment rate increased from 3.8 to 4.0 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.2 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment decreased by 500 workers from January as manufacturing was unchanged and nonmanufacturing was down 500. Compared to the year ago level, nonagricultural employment has increased by 1,550 as manufacturing is down 1,250, but nonmanufacturing is up 2,800. In nonmanufacturing, services is up 1,050, construction by 500 and trade by 350. In manufacturing, machinery and electrical products is down 1,150.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA***					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	541,350	545,440	516,540	-4,090	24,810	81,570	82,530	77,850	-960	3,720	88,900	89,660	86,620	-760	2,280
2. Unemployment	20,690	20,720	23,550	-30	-2,860	3,980	3,000	2,690	-20	290	3,520	3,400	2.740	120	780
Percent of labor force	3.8	3.8	4.6	xxx	xxx	3.7	3.6	3.5	xxx	xxx	4.0	3.8	3.2	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	520,660	524,720	492,990	-4,060	27,670	78,590	79,530	75,160	-940	3,430	85,380	86,260	83,880	-880	1,500
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	471,500	473,450	444,050	-1,950	27,450	80,100	80,700	76,700	-600	3,400	83,200	83,700	81,650	-500	1,550
Manufacturing	121,850	122,200	123,900	-350	-2,050	14,750	15,100	15,300	-350	-550	36,700	36,700	37,950	0	-1,250
Durable goods	83,350	83,400	85,200	-50	-1,850	9,050	9,250	9,200	-200	-150	30,400	30,500	31,500	-100	-1,100
Lumber & wood prods.	5,700	5,750	5,550	-50	150										
Furniture & fixtures	1,800	1,750	1,550	50	250										
Stone & clay prods.	2,950	3,000	2,900	-50	50										
Primary metal prods.	4,150	4,200	4,350	-50	-200										
Fabricated metal prods.	7,100	7,150	7,450	-50	-350										
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,550	25,700	26,850	50	-100										
Electrical prods.	24,550	24,500	26,750	50	-2,200	5,500	5,500	5,850	0	-350	23,000	23,100	24,150	-100	-1,150
Miscellaneous prods.	2,200	2,250	2,100	-50	100										
Other durables	9,150	9,100	8,700	50	450	3,550	3,750	3,350	-200	200	7,400	7,400	7,350	0	50
Nondurable goods	38,500	38,800	38,700	-300	-200	5,700	5,850	6,100	-150	-400	6,300	6,200	6,450	100	-150
Food & kindred prods.	3,300	3,200	3,050	100	250										
Textile mill prods.	3,650	3,700	3,800	-50	-150										
Apparel	2,600	2,550	2,550	50	50	1,500	1,550	1,650	-50	-150					
Paper & allied prods.	5,600	5,600	5,650	0	-50										
Print., pub. & allied	7,150	7,250	7,300	-100	-150										
Leather & lea. prods.	5,550	5,650	5,400	-100	150										
Other nondurables	10,650	10,850	10,950	-200	-300	4,200	4,300	4,450	-100	-250					
Nonmanufacturing	349,650	351,250	320,150	-1,600	-29,500	65,350	65,600	61,400	-250	3,950	46,500	47,000	43,700	-500	2,800
Construction (inc. min.)	32,700	33,700	24,100	-1,000	8,600	5,100	5,100	3,850	0	1,250	3,700	3,850	3,200	-150	500
Trans., comm. & util.	15,450	15,350	15,300	100	150	4,900	4,800	4,700	100	200	2,200	2,200	2,000	0	200
Trade	111,350	112,900	103,550	-1,550	7,800	21,300	21,700	20,050	-400	1,250	17,700	17,350	16,650	-350	350
Fin., ins. & real estate	26,150	26,050	24,100	100	2,050	7,200	7,200	6,900	0	300	2,700	2,700	2,500	0	200
Service industry & other	102,350	102,350	94,000	0	8,350	19,150	19,200	18,450	-50	700	14,800	14,800	13,750	0	1,050
Government	61,650	60,900	59,100	750	2,550	7,700	7,600	7,450	100	250	6,100	6,100	5,600	0	500
Federal	8,050	7,900	7,450	150	600	2,350	2,300	2,150	50	200	750	750	750	0	0
State	16,850	16,500	16,700	350	150	850	800	850	50	0	250	250	200	0	50
Local	36,750	36,500	34,950	250	1,800	4,500	4,500	4,450	0	50	5,100	5,100	4,650	0	450

Machinery And Electrical Products Combined

* By place of residence

** By place of establishment
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*** Not validated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

Labor Disputes:

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

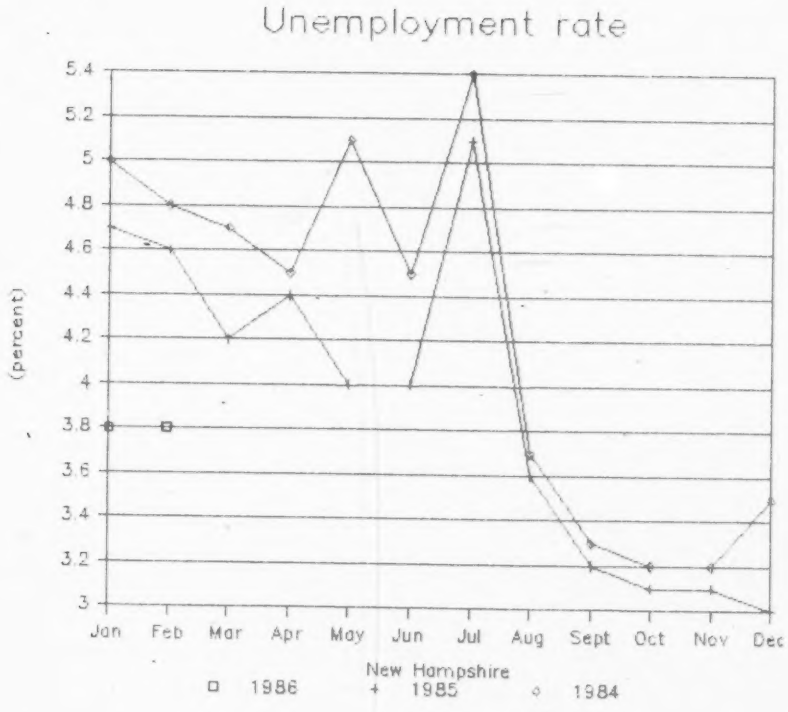
Area	Unemployment*								Civilian Labor Force				
	February 1986		January 1986		February 1986		Numerical Change From Previous		January	February	January	Numerical Change From Previous	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Month	Year	1986	1986	1985	Month	Year
UNITED STATES**	9,041	7.8	8,472	7.3	8,902	7.8	569	139	115,725	115,430	113,592	295	2,133
NEW HAMPSHIRE	20,690	3.8	20,720	3.8	23,550	4.6	-30	-2,860	541.350	545,440	516,540	-4,090	24,810
BERLIN LMA	1,220	4.9	1,220	4.8	1,180	5.1	0	40	24,950	25,200	23,170	-250	1,780
CLAREMONT LMA	870	2.4	890	2.4	1,200	3.4	-20	-330	37,020	37,560	34,840	-540	2,180
CONCORD LMA	1,350	2.7	1,500	3.0	1,690	3.6	-150	-340	49,110	49,580	46,450	-470	2,660
KEENE LMA	1,060	2.7	1,160	2.9	1,690	4.5	-100	-630	39,420	39,850	37,710	-430	1,710
LACONIA LMA	1,590	3.4	1,690	3.6	2,150	4.8	-100	-560	46,790	47,380	44,830	-590	1,960
LITTLETON LMA	800	4.7	840	4.9	960	6.0	-40	-160	17,020	17,130	16,020	-110	1,000
MANCHESTER MSA	2,980	3.7	3,000	3.6	2,690	3.5	-20	290	81,570	82,530	77,850	-960	3,720
NASHUA PMSA	3,520	4.0	3,400	3.8	3,740	3.2	120	780	88,900	89,660	86,620	-760	2,280
N.H. PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL MA. PMSA***	2,920	6.7	2,350	5.5	2,720	6.7	570	200	43,760	43,030	40,740	730	3,020
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER N.H.-ME.	4,070	3.4	4,300	3.6	5,760	5.1	-230	-1,690	118,760	119,460	113,950	-700	4,810
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREA****	720	4.4	850	5.2	1,180	7.6	-130	-460	16,190	16,380	15,460	-190	730
N.H. PORTION LOWELL MA. PMSA	270	5.8	260	5.6	290	6.3	10	-20	4,680	4,640	4,620	40	60
County													
BELKNAP	800	3.3	920	3.8	1,290	5.6	-120	-490	24,000	24,360	23,190	-360	810
CARROLL	460	2.8	460	2.8	690	4.4	0	-230	16,380	16,540	15,550	-160	830
CHESHIRE	970	2.7	1,080	3.0	1,540	4.6	-110	-570	35,280	35,690	33,760	-410	1,520
COOS	1,280	6.1	1,280	6.1	1,110	5.7	0	170	20,930	21,110	19,320	-180	1,610
GRAFTON	1,220	3.3	1,240	3.3	1,480	4.2	-20	-260	36,990	37,370	34,860	-380	2,130
HILLSBOROUGH	6,570	3.9	6,470	3.8	5,800	3.5	100	770	170,240	171,810	164,110	-1,570	6,130
MERRIMACK	1,680	2.9	1,810	3.1	2,020	3.7	-130	-340	57,970	58,570	54,950	-600	3,020
ROCKINGHAM	5,270	4.9	4,820	4.5	5,360	5.3	450	-90	108,160	107,900	101,950	260	6,210
STRAFFORD	1,940	3.7	2,110	4.0	3,570	7.0	-170	-1,630	52,220	52,610	50,770	-390	1,450
SULLIVAN	500	2.6	530	2.7	690	3.8	-30	-190	19,180	19,480	18,080	-300	1,100

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1985	1984	1983	1982
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current month - February	323.2			
Percent change from year ago	3.0			
Year average		307.6	297.4	288.6
Percent increase each year		3.4	3.0	6.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - February	327.5			
Percent change from year ago	3.2			
Year average		311.1	298.4	289.1
Percent increase each year		4.3	3.2	6.1

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$309.87	$317.18	$311.18	$320.02	$317.34	$319.02	$321.57	$321.50	$326.27	$327.59	$333.31	$338.97	$322.26
DURABLE GOODS	326.68	333.43	328.02	334.74	330.34	332.05	329.67	332.92	339.04	339.89	347.78	353.60	336.15
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	235.52	246.23	234.55	247.16	249.60	248.75	240.16	261.76	264.58	258.62	259.34	269.15	251.83
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	257.66	259.75	255.43	266.11	262.58	265.65	291.47	263.15	271.60	276.67	273.70	277.67	268.10
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	325.18	328.74	298.49	328.70	319.14	316.58	315.33	311.67	313.40	328.36	344.36	370.30	323.43
PRIMARY METAL IND.	356.04	364.59	358.97	357.85	348.80	356.77	354.09	351.50	348.10	358.52	367.19	370.63	357.72
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	307.29	303.23	292.99	306.12	302.99	305.12	295.00	300.98	314.29	308.10	304.50	302.91	304.21
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	362.10	379.26	375.40	379.21	379.31	377.99	364.65	376.83	382.38	378.87	391.98	412.13	380.60
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	330.08	333.29	326.76	332.52	327.63	332.40	335.87	335.47	342.15	351.48	355.41	350.00	338.48
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	236.16	255.42	254.49	252.05	261.19	249.67	253.70	249.13	257.74	247.05	255.44	253.13	252.10
OTHER DURABLES	343.58	341.09	351.85	353.21	350.69	341.96	344.20	344.16	347.62	346.46	352.87	369.64	348.47
NONDURABLE GOODS	280.13	90.154	290.40	281.39	295.65	295.87	305.37	299.36	301.99	303.51	305.88	309.42	297.14
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	358.27	365.44	373.70	384.71	389.23	390.15	382.82	402.59	379.85	389.43	391.13	382.54	382.89
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	260.58	259.69	260.90	267.24	263.56	267.18	270.28	269.17	274.85	265.39	266.94	275.81	266.53
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	200.20	207.65	190.50	207.52	206.82	202.76	192.96	209.25	202.58	207.57	207.20	204.42	203.32
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	414.35	414.02	417.14	432.25	426.79	441.64	454.41	435.02	438.00	450.72	443.58	452.06	433.71
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	300.20	312.76	305.60	305.11	297.86	294.84	290.86	289.64	295.48	294.74	300.65	300.31	298.94
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	172.20	184.58	169.06	181.84	191.87	190.10	209.79	190.64	194.38	185.36	184.48	192.96	186.65
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	160.50	173.57	156.97	167.31	178.87	180.54	202.66	182.31	185.68	175.21	175.02	181.98	76.30
OTHER NONDURABLES	304.96	327.66	317.70	325.71	321.98	319.87	329.96	328.60	331.85	328.80	338.52	337.84	326.65

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	40.4	41.3	40.1	41.4	41.0	40.9	40.5	40.8	41.3	41.0	41.2	41.9	41.0
DURABLE GOODS	41.3	42.1	40.9	42.0	41.5	41.3	40.5	41.0	41.6	41.4	41.7	42.5	41.5
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	38.8	40.3	38.2	39.8	40.0	39.8	38.0	40.9	41.6	40.6	41.1	41.6	40.1
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	36.6	37.7	36.7	38.4	38.0	38.5	38.2	37.7	38.8	39.3	39.1	40.3	38.3
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	43.3	43.6	40.5	42.8	41.5	41.6	41.6	41.5	41.4	42.7	43.7	46.0	42.5
PRIMARY METAL IND.	46.0	44.9	44.1	44.9	43.6	44.1	43.5	42.4	42.4	43.3	44.4	44.6	44.0
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	40.7	41.2	38.5	40.6	41.0	40.2	40.3	40.4	41.3	40.7	39.7	39.7	40.4
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	42.5	44.1	43.6	44.3	43.8	43.8	42.5	43.1	43.7	43.8	44.9	47.1	44.0
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	40.7	41.3	39.8	40.9	40.2	40.0	39.1	39.7	40.3	40.4	39.8	40.0	40.2
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	39.1	43.0	42.7	41.8	43.1	41.2	43.0	41.8	43.1	40.5	40.1	39.8	41.6
OTHER DURABLES	41.0	40.8	41.2	41.9	41.6	41.2	39.7	40.3	40.8	40.1	40.7	42.1	40.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.8	40.0	38.6	40.5	40.3	40.2	40.5	40.4	40.7	40.2	40.3	40.5	40.1
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	40.3	41.2	40.4	41.5	42.4	42.5	42.3	42.2	42.3	42.1	42.7	41.4	41.8
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	40.4	40.2	40.2	40.8	40.3	39.7	39.4	39.7	40.3	38.8	38.8	40.5	39.9
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	36.4	38.1	34.7	37.8	36.8	36.6	36.0	37.3	36.9	37.4	37.4	37.1	36.9
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	46.4	45.9	46.4	47.5	46.9	48.8	49.5	47.7	47.3	48.0	47.8	48.4	47.4
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	39.5	40.2	40.0	40.9	39.4	39.0	39.2	39.3	40.7	40.1	39.3	38.8	39.7
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	32.8	34.5	31.6	33.8	35.4	35.6	35.8	35.7	35.6	34.2	34.1	36.0	34.5
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	32.1	33.9	30.9	33.0	34.8	35.4	39.2	35.4	35.3	33.5	33.4	35.2	34.3
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.4	41.9	41.1	42.3	41.6	40.8	41.4	41.7	41.9	41.1	42.0	41.1	41.4

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.67	$7.68	$7.76	$7.73	$7.74	$7.80	$7.94	$7.88	$7.90	$7.99	$8.09	$8.09	$7.86
DURABLE GOODS	7.91	7.92	8.02	7.97	7.96	8.04	8.14	8.12	8.15	8.21	8.34	8.32	8.10
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	6.07	6.11	6.14	6.21	6.24	6.25	6.32	6.40	6.36	6.37	6.31	6.47	6.28
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	7.04	6.89	6.96	6.93	6.91	6.90	7.63	6.93	7.00	7.04	7.00	6.89	7.00
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	7.51	7.54	7.37	7.68	7.69	7.61	7.52	7.51	7.57	7.69	7.88	8.05	7.61
PRIMARY METAL IND.	7.74	8.12	8.14	7.97	8.00	8.09	8.14	8.29	8.21	8.28	8.27	8.31	8.13
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	7.55	7.36	7.61	7.54	7.39	7.59	7.32	7.45	7.61	7.57	7.67	7.63	7.53
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	8.52	8.60	8.61	8.56	8.66	8.63	8.58	8.72	8.75	8.65	8.73	8.75	8.65
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	8.11	8.07	8.21	8.13	8.15	8.31	8.59	8.45	8.49	8.70	8.93	8.75	8.42
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	6.04	5.94	5.96	6.03	6.06	6.06	5.90	5.96	5.98	6.10	6.37	6.36	6.06
OTHER DURABLES	8.38	8.36	8.54	8.43	8.43	8.30	8.67	8.54	8.52	8.64	8.67	8.78	8.52
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.22	7.26	7.29	7.30	7.33	7.36	7.54	7.41	7.42	7.55	7.59	7.64	7.41
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	8.89	8.87	9.25	9.27	9.18	9.18	9.05	9.54	8.98	9.25	9.16	9.24	9.16
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	6.45	6.46	6.49	6.55	6.54	6.73	6.86	6.78	6.82	6.84	6.88	6.81	6.68
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	5.50	5.45	5.49	5.49	5.62	5.54	5.36	5.61	5.49	5.55	5.54	5.51	5.51
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	8.93	9.02	8.99	9.10	9.10	9.05	9.18	9.12	9.26	9.39	9.28	9.34	9.15
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	7.60	7.78	7.64	7.46	7.56	7.56	7.42	7.37	7.26	7.35	7.65	7.74	7.53
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	5.25	5.35	5.35	5.38	5.42	5.34	5.86	5.34	5.46	5.42	5.41	5.36	5.41
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	5.00	5.12	5.08	5.07	5.14	5.10	5.17	5.15	5.26	5.23	5.24	5.17	5.14
OTHER NONDURABLES	7.74	7.82	7.73	7.70	7.74	7.84	7.97	7.88	7.92	8.00	8.06	8.22	7.89

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$292.53	$295.14	$293.61	$299.36	$298.40	$297.70	$304.13	$303.20	$317.65	$313.13	$315.93	$318.76	$304.00
DURABLE GOODS	308.46	308.09	306.10	314.38	310.47	317.58	323.05	323.21	346.48	335.70	337.74	344.25	323.60
MACHINERY & ELEC.	315.61	320.31	309.60	317.56	315.61	326.01	322.87	327.65	348.15	343.56	353.64	353.56	329.67
OTHER DURABLES	297.11	289.18	301.46	310.02	303.41	304.56	323.19	315.59	342.74	323.05	312.30	330.00	312.80
NONDURABLE GOODS	274.01	280.02	278.50	281.52	283.50	274.62	279.30	278.90	282.20	283.31	288.36	283.61	280.30
TEXTILES & APPAREL	243.42	247.10	244.97	255.36	260.17	269.33	254.53	262.66	264.60	259.35	255.45	261.09	256.37
OTHER NONDURABLES	288.01	293.87	293.22	293.76	293.15	276.75	289.67	285.53	288.77	291.41	299.71	291.10	290.39

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	38.9	40.1	39.2	40.4	40.0	39.8	39.6	40.0	41.2	40.3	40.4	40.4	40.0
DURABLE GOODS	38.8	39.6	38.6	40.1	39.5	40.2	39.3	40.1	42.1	40.3	40.4	40.5	40.0
MACHINERY & ELEC.	39.9	40.7	38.7	40.3	39.8	40.7	38.9	40.5	42.2	40.9	42.0	41.4	40.5
OTHER DURABLES	37.0	37.9	38.5	39.9	39.2	39.4	39.9	39.4	41.9	39.3	37.9	39.1	39.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.2	40.7	39.9	40.8	40.5	39.4	39.9	39.9	40.2	40.3	40.5	40.4	40.1
TEXTILES & APPAREL	38.7	39.6	38.7	39.9	39.3	39.9	38.8	38.4	39.2	39.0	39.0	39.8	39.2
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.4	41.1	40.5	41.2	41.0	39.2	40.4	40.5	40.5	40.7	41.0	40.6	40.5

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA 1984 AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.52	$7.36	$7.49	$7.41	$7.46	$7.48	$7.68	$7.58	$7.71	$7.77	$7.82	$7.89	**$7.60**
DURABLE GOODS	7.95	7.78	7.93	7.84	7.86	7.90	8.22	8.06	8.23	8.33	8.36	8.50	**8.09**
MACHINERY & ELEC.	7.91	7.87	8.00	7.88	7.93	8.01	8.30	8.09	8.25	8.40	8.42	8.54	**8.14**
OTHER DURABLES	8.03	7.63	7.83	7.77	7.74	7.73	8.10	8.01	8.18	8.22	8.24	8.44	**8.00**
NONDURABLE GOODS	6.99	6.88	6.98	6.90	7.00	6.97	7.00	6.99	7.02	7.03	7.12	7.02	**6.99**
TEXTILES & APPAREL	6.29	6.24	6.33	6.40	6.62	6.75	6.56	6.84	6.75	6.65	6.55	6.56	**6.54**
OTHER NONDURABLES	7.31	7.15	7.24	7.13	7.15	7.06	7.17	7.05	7.13	7.16	7.31	7.17	**7.17**

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.7	42.5	40.8	41.7	41.2	41.7	40.2	41.1	40.8	40.9	41.6	42.0	41.3
DURABLE GOODS	42.5	43.0	41.1	42.3	41.9	42.4	40.6	41.4	41.0	41.3	41.9	42.4	41.8
MACHINERY & ELEC.	41.9	43.0	40.9	41.9	41.3	42.1	40.1	40.7	40.9	41.0	41.4	41.6	41.4
OTHER DURABLES	43.8	43.0	41.7	43.3	43.4	43.4	42.0	43.1	41.4	42.1	43.2	44.3	42.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	38.3	40.2	39.1	39.3	38.5	38.8	38.6	39.8	40.1	39.3	40.5	40.0	39.4

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$371.55	$385.90	$375.77	$384.06	$379.04	$384.47	$375.07	$381.00	$378.22	$390.19	$403.52	**$403.20**	**$384.09**
DURABLE GOODS	377.83	389.58	378.12	390.43	386.74	391.35	380.42	385.43	382.94	396.89	409.36	**407.89**	**389.99**
MACHINERY & ELEC.	407.27	419.25	406.55	416.91	411.76	420.58	403.41	410.26	411.45	426.40	438.84	**432.22**	**417.31**
OTHER DURABLES	308.79	316.91	309.41	323.02	323.33	320.29	320.04	321.10	311.74	321.22	333.07	**346.43**	**321.32**
NONDURABLE GOODS	345.08	368.63	360.50	359.20	349.20	354.24	352.80	361.38	359.30	362.35	379.08	**379.60**	**361.30**

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NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1984

FINAL

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$8.91	$9.08	$9.21	$9.21	$9.20	$9.22	$9.33	$9.27	$9.27	$9.54	$9.70	$9.60	$9.30
DURABLE GOODS	8.89	9.06	9.20	9.23	9.23	9.23	9.37	9.31	9.34	9.61	9.77	9.62	9.33
MACHINERY & ELEC.	9.72	9.75	9.94	9.95	9.97	9.99	10.06	10.08	10.06	10.40	10.60	10.39	10.08
OTHER DURABLES	7.05	7.37	7.42	7.46	7.45	7.38	7.62	7.45	7.53	7.63	7.71	7.82	7.49
NONDURABLE GOODS	9.01	9.17	9.22	9.14	9.07	9.13	9.14	9.08	8.96	9.22	9.36	9.49	9.17

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	Noveaber	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$333.33	$331.68	$336.18	$335.76	$334.06	$340.17	$337.11	$339.29	$345.63	$347.24	$353.87	$360.26	$341.47
DURABLE GOODS	344.86	345.61	348.50	349.32	345.82	351.48	344.12	353.43	358.39	358.69	367.22	375.16	353.79
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	260.35	259.38	256.63	255.18	258.57	258.69	242.17	264.77	256.62	257.15	256.58	262.58	257.01
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	278.24	283.31	270.86	267.54	263.10	272.50	287.89	286.04	286.34	282.27	272.74	293.94	278.69
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	341.64	323.01	321.59	342.59	338.44	339.29	323.42	347.96	334.40	336.00	344.03	353.03	337.26
PRIMARY METAL IND.	355.31	344.76	367.04	371.18	360.74	364.49	366.38	372.19	390.58	393.64	415.53	385.93	373.63
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	303.00	307.26	313.18	310.85	312.03	324.01	294.88	329.51	332.91	334.14	341.54	353.64	321.60
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	383.66	386.32	385.88	385.85	382.79	391.87	372.86	378.16	389.30	386.57	401.65	416.76	388.02
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	355.41	335.68	360.77	360.36	359.04	363.47	371.14	373.83	377.45	380.33	388.73	392.35	369.42
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	261.60	267.40	277.13	286.37	279.28	251.90	248.12	257.57	259.49	261.51	253.88	271.21	264.53
OTHER DURABLES	358.48	358.48	362.75	357.35	350.80	363.74	364.18	363.91	372.45	372.81	378.07	389.85	366.20
NONDURABLE GOODS	309.57	304.56	310.80	308.47	310.04	316.37	322.81	313.98	321.50	324.36	329.27	332.92	317.18
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	359.45	358.78	373.92	358.93	393.46	389.91	403.43	383.78	378.92	375.84	407.88	393.41	381.23
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	278.24	268.42	275.49	267.63	269.40	274.56	267.67	276.98	291.75	294.35	287.34	295.82	279.60
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	204.60	204.61	210.92	209.35	207.43	216.82	201.64	217.46	206.45	209.60	211.48	212.65	209.56
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	430.11	420.89	425.49	439.44	432.89	450.08	443.16	431.50	451.09	448.86	459.36	467.48	441.78
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	305.73	315.12	313.08	306.61	312.24	319.22	325.26	322.92	324.62	329.33	339.72	365.65	322.87
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	189.21	181.49	189.04	190.70	195.64	204.05	204.61	200.00	201.66	202.21	204.98	198.92	197.28
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	176.46	168.35	175.43	176.80	184.79	191.73	189.80	188.71	191.46	192.52	194.71	186.19	185.31
OTHER NONDURABLES	341.55	332.92	340.31	334.97	333.28	336.44	350.27	339.25	354.38	362.82	364.46	360.19	345.58

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.0	40.4	40.7	40.6	40.2	40.4	39.8	40.2	41.0	40.9	41.1	41.6	40.7
DURABLE GOODS	41.4	40.9	41.0	41.0	40.4	40.4	39.6	40.3	41.1	40.9	41.4	42.2	40.9
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	40.1	39.6	39.3	38.9	39.0	38.9	37.2	39.4	39.0	39.5	38.7	38.9	39.0
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	40.5	41.0	39.6	39.0	36.9	37.9	39.6	39.4	40.5	39.7	39.3	42.6	39.7
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	43.3	41.2	40.3	42.4	42.2	42.2	41.2	42.8	41.8	42.0	41.4	43.0	42.0
PRIMARY METAL IND.	42.4	40.8	41.9	41.8	40.9	41.0	40.8	40.9	42.5	42.1	44.3	41.1	41.7
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	40.4	39.8	40.1	39.7	39.8	40.4	38.0	39.7	40.5	40.6	41.1	42.0	40.2
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	44.2	44.0	43.8	44.3	43.4	43.3	41.8	42.3	43.4	43.0	43.8	45.3	43.5
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	39.8	39.0	39.3	39.0	38.4	38.3	38.5	38.9	39.9	39.7	40.2	40.7	39.3
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	40.0	40.7	41.8	42.3	42.9	38.4	37.2	38.5	38.5	38.8	37.5	38.8	39.6
OTHER DURABLES	41.3	41.3	41.6	40.7	40.0	41.1	40.6	40.3	41.2	40.7	41.5	42.7	41.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.1	39.4	40.0	39.7	39.8	40.2	40.2	40.1	40.8	40.8	40.6	40.6	40.2
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	39.5	39.6	41.0	39.4	41.2	41.0	42.2	41.4	40.7	40.5	41.2	39.9	40.6
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	40.5	39.3	40.1	39.3	39.1	39.0	37.7	39.4	41.5	41.4	40.7	41.2	40.0
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	37.2	36.8	37.2	36.6	36.2	37.0	35.5	37.3	36.8	36.2	36.4	36.6	36.7
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	46.1	45.6	45.9	47.1	46.9	48.5	47.6	46.8	48.4	47.7	47.8	48.9	47.3
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	38.7	39.0	38.7	37.9	38.5	38.6	39.0	39.0	39.3	39.3	38.3	40.9	38.9
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	35.3	33.3	34.0	34.8	35.7	37.1	36.8	36.9	36.8	36.9	37.0	36.3	36.0
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	34.6	32.5	33.1	34.0	35.4	36.8	36.5	36.5	36.4	36.6	36.6	35.6	35.5
OTHER NONDURABLES	41.2	40.6	41.4	40.8	40.3	40.1	40.4	40.1	41.4	41.8	41.7	40.2	40.8

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NEW HAMPSHIRE AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Averag
MANUFACTURING	$8.13	$8.21	$8.26	$8.27	$8.31	$8.42	$8.47	$8.44	$8.43	$8.49	$8.61	$8.66	$8.39
DURABLE GOODS	8.33	8.45	8.50	8.52	8.56	8.70	8.69	8.77	8.72	8.77	8.87	8.89	8.65
LUMBER & WOOD PRODS.	6.49	6.55	6.53	6.56	6.63	6.65	6.51	6.72	6.58	6.51	6.63	6.75	6.59
FURNITURE & FIXTURES	6.87	6.91	6.84	6.86	7.13	7.19	7.27	7.26	7.07	7.11	6.94	6.90	7.02
STONE & CLAY & GLASS	7.89	7.84	7.98	8.08	8.02	8.04	7.85	8.13	8.00	8.00	8.31	8.21	8.03
PRIMARY METAL IND.	8.38	8.45	8.76	8.88	8.82	8.89	8.98	9.10	9.19	9.35	9.38	9.39	8.96
FABRICATED METAL PRODS.	7.50	7.72	7.81	7.83	7.84	8.02	7.76	8.30	8.22	8.23	8.31	8.42	8.00
MACHINERY (EXC. ELEC.)	8.68	8.78	8.81	8.71	8.82	9.05	8.92	8.94	8.97	8.99	9.17	9.20	8.92
ELEC. & ELEC. EQUIP.	8.93	9.12	9.18	9.24	9.35	9.49	9.64	9.61	9.46	9.58	9.67	9.64	9.40
MISC. MFG. INDUSTRIES	6.54	6.57	6.63	6.77	6.51	6.56	6.67	6.69	6.74	6.74	6.77	6.99	6.68
OTHER DURABLES	8.68	8.68	8.72	8.78	8.77	8.85	8.97	9.03	9.04	9.16	9.11	9.13	8.91
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.72	7.73	7.77	7.77	7.79	7.87	8.03	7.83	7.88	7.95	8.11	8.20	7.89
FOOD & KINDRED PRODS.	9.10	9.06	9.12	9.11	9.55	9.51	9.56	9.27	9.31	9.28	9.90	9.86	9.39
TEXTILE MILL PRODS.	6.87	6.83	6.87	6.81	6.89	7.04	7.10	7.03	7.03	7.11	7.06	7.18	6.99
APPAREL & OTHER TEXT.	5.50	5.56	5.67	5.72	5.73	5.86	5.68	5.83	5.61	5.79	5.81	5.81	5.71
PAPER & ALLIED PRODS.	9.33	9.23	9.27	9.33	9.23	9.28	9.31	9.22	9.32	9.41	9.61	9.56	9.34
PRINTING & PUBLISHING	7.90	8.08	8.09	8.09	8.11	8.27	8.34	8.28	8.26	8.38	8.87	8.94	8.30
LEATHER & LEATHER PROD.	5.36	5.45	5.56	5.48	5.48	5.50	5.56	5.42	5.48	5.48	5.54	5.48	5.48
FOOTWEAR (EXC. RUBBER)	5.10	5.18	5.30	5.20	5.22	5.21	5.20	5.17	5.26	5.26	5.32	5.23	5.22
OTHER NONDURABLES	8.29	8.20	8.22	8.21	8.27	8.39	8.67	8.46	8.56	8.68	8.74	8.96	8.47

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PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$314.42	$317.21	$321.60	$321.60	$318.00	$323.14	$328.94	$328.75	$332.43	$332.64	$342.19	$351.02	$328.00
DURABLE GOODS	339.29	345.02	346.58	349.11	343.94	345.54	358.27	354.80	355.91	352.29	359.50	370.31	351.60
MACHINERY & ELEC.	345.14	348.02	352.10	348.53	343.08	349.27	361.17	358.80	358.20	353.72	370.37	388.31	355.77
OTHER DURABLES	332.24	340.69	338.52	350.96	344.40	338.43	354.22	348.33	351.52	349.27	345.82	346.42	345.39
NONDURABLE GOODS	278.24	276.97	286.56	283.06	282.10	292.80	289.69	291.91	299.70	304.21	316.42	321.68	293.27
TEXTILES & APPAREL	255.03	260.83	271.49	264.53	251.37	263.42	246.47	270.44	275.60	272.25	273.34	277.78	265.38
OTHER NONDURABLES	286.38	282.12	291.85	290.14	293.20	302.30	302.51	299.69	307.75	315.02	330.64	336.49	303.11

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MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	39.8	39.8	40.1	40.2	39.7	39.6	39.3	39.8	40.1	39.6	40.4	41.2	40.0
DURABLE GOODS	40.2	40.4	40.3	40.5	39.9	39.4	39.5	40.0	39.9	39.1	39.9	41.1	40.0
MACHINERY & ELEC.	40.7	40.8	40.8	40.2	39.8	39.6	39.3	40.0	39.8	38.7	40.7	42.3	40.2
OTHER DURABLES	39.6	39.8	39.5	41.0	40.0	38.9	39.8	39.9	39.9	39.6	38.9	39.5	39.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	39.3	38.9	39.8	39.7	39.4	40.0	39.2	39.5	40.5	40.4	41.2	41.4	39.9
TEXTILES & APPAREL	38.7	39.4	40.4	39.6	37.8	39.2	37.4	38.8	40.0	39.4	39.5	40.2	39.2
OTHER NONDURABLES	39.5	38.7	39.6	39.8	40.0	40.2	39.7	39.8	40.6	40.7	41.8	41.8	40.2

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$7.90	$7.97	$8.02	$8.00	$8.01	$8.16	$8.37	$8.26	$8.29	$8.40	$8.47	$8.52	$8.20
DURABLE GOODS	8.44	8.54	8.60	8.62	8.62	8.77	9.07	8.87	8.92	9.01	9.01	9.01	8.79
MACHINERY & ELEC.	8.48	8.53	8.63	8.67	8.62	8.82	9.19	8.97	9.00	9.14	9.10	9.18	8.85
OTHER DURABLES	8.39	8.56	8.57	8.56	8.61	8.70	8.90	8.73	8.81	8.82	8.89	8.77	8.70
NONDURABLE GOODS	7.08	7.12	7.20	7.13	7.16	7.32	7.39	7.39	7.40	7.53	7.68	7.77	7.35
TEXTILES & APPAREL	6.59	6.62	6.72	6.68	6.65	6.72	6.59	6.97	6.89	6.91	6.92	6.91	6.77
OTHER NONDURABLE	7.25	7.29	7.37	7.29	7.33	7.52	7.62	7.53	7.58	7.74	7.91	8.05	7.54

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$393.71	$398.37	$398.11	$395.52	$397.13	$405.96	$397.19	$400.80	$408.12	$415.74	$423.54	$427.84	$405.14
DURABLE GOODS	397.16	406.13	404.74	402.70	404.09	415.24	404.61	413.31	417.66	426.62	429.51	435.08	412.41
MACHINERY & ELEC.	425.60	433.30	431.83	431.07	435.23	449.08	435.11	444.91	450.43	456.74	464.92	461.90	442.27
OTHER DURABLES	326.90	335.20	339.34	331.93	328.64	333.94	332.10	337.02	340.23	355.73	348.93	372.27	340.13
NONDURABLE GOODS	377.92	367.93	369.21	368.16	370.17	368.26	367.35	353.99	370.99	374.75	394.60	398.59	373.23

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BANCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	41.4	40.9	41.0	40.4	40.4	40.8	39.6	40.0	41.1	41.0	41.2	41.7	40.8
DURABLE GOODS	41.5	41.4	41.3	40.8	40.9	41.4	40.1	40.6	41.6	41.5	41.7	42.2	41.2
MACHINERY & ELEC.	41.2	40.8	40.7	40.4	40.6	41.2	39.7	40.3	41.4	41.0	41.4	41.5	40.8
OTHER DURABLES	42.4	42.7	42.9	41.7	41.6	41.9	41.0	41.2	41.9	42.5	42.5	43.9	42.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	40.9	39.1	39.7	39.0	38.6	38.4	37.6	37.9	39.3	39.2	38.8	39.7	39.0

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

NASHUA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS 1985

PRELIMINARY

Industry	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Annual Average
MANUFACTURING	$9.51	$9.74	$9.71	$9.79	$9.83	$9.95	$10.03	$10.02	$9.93	$10.14	$10.28	$10.26	$9.93
DURABLE GOODS	9.57	9.81	9.80	9.87	9.88	10.03	10.09	10.18	10.04	10.28	10.30	10.31	10.01
MACHINERY & ELEC.	10.33	10.62	10.61	10.67	10.72	10.90	10.96	11.04	10.88	11.14	11.23	11.13	10.84
OTHER DURABLES	7.71	7.85	7.91	7.96	7.90	7.97	8.10	8.18	8.12	8.37	8.21	8.48	8.06
NONDURABLE GOODS	9.24	9.41	9.30	9.44	9.59	9.59	9.77	9.34	9.44	9.56	10.17	10.04	9.57

BASED ON MARCH 1985 BENCHMARK

Weekly Claims Filed During February 1986
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	3,083	14,860	3	48	5	16	27	115	8	58
Berlin	118	1,160	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	8
Claremont	90	360	0	0	2	5	2	5	0	0
Concord	211	1,116	1	7	0	4	1	7	0	0
Conway	56	269	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	2
Dover	412	1,698	1	16	2	1	10	26	4	25
Keene	181	752	0	2	0	4	3	10	0	4
Laconia	219	1,102	1	8	0	0	0	7	0	0
Lebanon	44	271	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Littleton	127	821	0	0	0	2	1	6	0	0
Manchester	668	2,792	0	1	0	0	4	7	0	4
Nashua	379	1,520	0	8	1	0	2	15	0	3
Portsmouth	255	1,259	0	2	0	0	3	12	2	7
Salem	131	465	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Liable Interstate	192	1,275	0	4	0	0	0	5	2	4

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $111.52

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$118,585,867.12

Net contributions received during month:

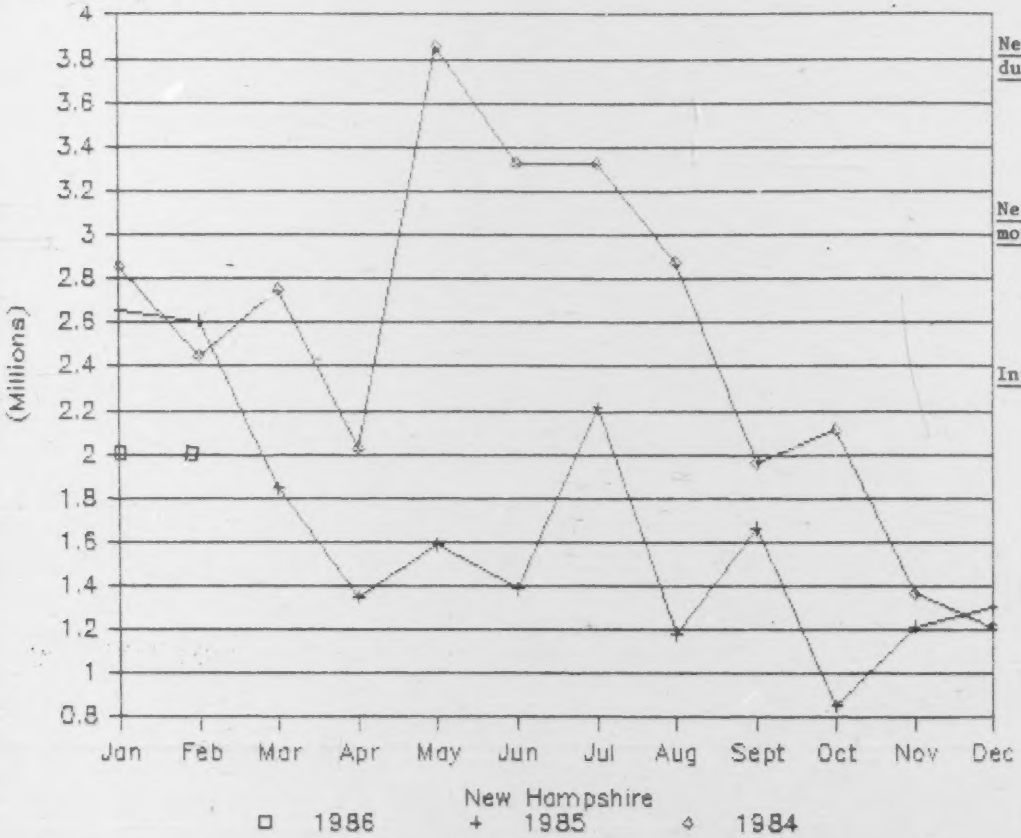
$ 1,597,472.61

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 2,007,639.43

Interest Received:

$ 2,966,360.80



AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1896	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$355.10	$352.15	$331.68	41.1	40.9	40.4	$8.64	$8.61	$8.21
Durable goods	365.92	366.33	345.61	41.3	41.3	40.9	8.86	8.87	8.45
Lumber & wood prods.	255.18	254.13	259.38	38.2	38.1	39.6	6.68	6.67	6.55
Furniture & fixtures	275.41	274.86	283.31	39.4	40.6	41.0	6.99	6.77	6.91
Stone & clay prods.	357.83	352.36	323.01	42.7	42.3	41.2	8.38	8.33	7.84
Primary metal prods.	368.45	366.17	344.76	40.4	39.5	40.8	9.12	9.27	8.45
Fab. metal prods.	338.18	347.13	307.26	39.6	40.6	39.8	8.54	8.55	7.72
Mach. (exc. elec.)	407.59	402.22	386.32	44.4	44.2	44.0	9.18	9.10	8.78
Electrical prods.	385.97	390.02	355.68	40.5	40.5	39.0	9.53	9.63	9.12
Miscellaneous prods.	273.74	281.71	267.40	38.5	39.4	40.7	7.11	7.15	6.57
Other durables	375.83	373.68	358.48	41.3	41.2	41.3	9.10	9.07	6.68
Nondurable goods	333.74	325.62	304.56	40.7	40.2	39.4	8.20	8.10	7.73
Food & kindred prods.	363.26	380.00	358.78	37.8	40.0	39.6	9.61	9.50	9.06
Textile mill prods.	309.16	297.65	268.42	43.3	42.1	39.3	7.14	7.07	6.83
Apparel	231.25	219.91	204.61	38.8	37.4	36.8	5.96	5.88	5.56
Paper & allied prods.	462.24	436.08	420.89	47.9	46.0	45.6	9.65	9.48	9.23
Print., pub. & allied	359.50	349.18	315.12	39.9	39.5	39.0	9.01	8.84	8.08
Leather & lea. prods.	188.15	189.75	181.49	33.9	34.5	33.3	5.55	5.50	5.45
Footwear	175.30	176.25	168.35	33.2	33.7	32.5	5.28	5.23	5.18
Other nondurables	368.72	359.57	332.92	41.9	41.0	40.6	8.80	8.77	8.20

Sample Percen of Production Workers: 57%

Total Production Workers: 83,850

Firms Reporting: 368

Manchester MSA*

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$353.91	$344.92	$317.21	41.2	40.2	39.8	$8.59	$8.58	$7.97
Durable goods	357.90	353.99	345.02	39.9	38.9	40.4	8.97	9.10	8.54
Mach. & elec. prods.	361.67	366.62	348.02	40.5	40.2	40.8	8.93	9.12	8.53
Other durables	351.27	337.94	340.69	38.9	37.3	39.8	9.03	9.06	8.56
Nondurable goods	348.50	329.94	276.97	43.4	42.3	38.9	8.03	7.80	7.12
Textiles & apparel	301.18	281.48	260.83	42.6	40.5	39.4	7.07	6.95	6.62
Other nondurables	366.64	348.30	282.12	43.7	43.0	38.7	8.39	8.10	7.29

Sample Percen of Production Workers: 55%

Total Production Workers: 10,750

Firms Reporting: 46

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985	Feb. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1985
All manufacturing	$416.72	$420.86	$398.37	41.3	41.1	40.9	$10.09	$10.24	$9.74
Durable goods	422.89	428.28	406.13	41.5	41.3	41.4	10.19	10.37	9.81
Mach. & elec. prods.	461.05	465.75	433.30	41.8	41.4	40.8	11.03	11.25	10.62
Other durables	336.19	343.61	335.20	40.8	41.2	42.7	8.24	8.34	7.85
Nondurable goods	392.85	387.77	367.93	40.5	40.1	39.1	9.70	9.67	9.41

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 63%

Total Production Workers: 20,200

Firms Reporting: 70

*Not validated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category
Period Ending February 1986

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	12,727	5,359	2,412	1,092	1,607	698
Prof., Tech. Managerial (00,19)	1,754	592	289	94	306	108
Clerical (20-24)	2,211	1,805	413	327	306	259
Sales (25-29)	608	283	142	62	71	36
Services (3)	1,936	1,105	377	215	240	138
Farm (4)	162	23	16	1	14	2
Processing (5)	235	57	42	9	30	12
Machine Trade (6)	1,122	361	190	93	100	32
Benchwork (7)	1,211	788	343	211	112	80
Structural (8)	2,108	104	314	25	303	17
Miscellaneous (9)	1,335	222	283	52	122	13
Unclassified	45	19	3	3	3	1

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	February 1986	January 1986	July 1, 1985 to Feb. 28, 1986
Total applicants for employment	1,109	1,189	12,727
Total nonagricultural job openings received	1,657	1,852	19,590
Job openings unfilled end of month	1,544	1,318	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	695	892	10,142

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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

A REPORT BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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SUMMARY: Total unemployment remained nearly unchanged from February dropping to 20,660 from 20,690. The rate of unemployment was unchanged remaining at 3.8 percent for the third consecutive month. A year ago there were 21,460 unemployed with a rate of 4.2 percent. Nationally the rates were 7.5 percent in March, 7.8 percent in February and 7.5 percent a year ago. New Hampshire, based on the latest data available by state (February 1986), has had the lowest unemployment rate for seven consecutive months.

Five labor market areas experienced increased unemployment in March while five areas had less. The Claremont area with 2.3 percent unemployed had the lowest rate and the Salem area with 6.6 percent had the highest rate. Year ago comparisons show that seven areas had higher unemployment this year and five areas had lower unemployment. The Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH - Maine MSA had the largest unemployment decrease with 1,450 fewer unemployed this year than last.

The largest unemployment decreases from February occurred in the Nashua and Laconia areas as unemployment decreased by 300 and 170 respectively. The largest unemployment increases occurred in the Keene area with 140 more unemployed and in the Berlin and Littleton areas each with 110 more unemployed. Some seasonal unemployment occurred as the mud season in the northern part of the state slowed logging operations. The electrical products industry experienced scattered layoffs especially in the Manchester and Nashua areas. Construction layoffs occurred in various parts of the state and in particular at the Seabrook Nuclear Power Project as some project phases are reaching completion.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 2,100 from February as manufacturing was down by 450, but nonmanufacturing was up by 2,550. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural wage and salary employment has increased by 26,150 workers as manufacturing decreased by 2,350 while nonmanufacturing increased by 28,500. Electrical products lost 1,850 jobs during the year, however, construction added 7,450, trade 7,650, and services 8,450.

MANCHESTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment increased by only 80 from February as the rate remained unchanged at 3.7 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.3 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 200 from February and by 3,250 from a year ago. While manufacturing is down 550, nonmanufacturing is up 3,800. Services has increased by 700 over the year, while construction and trade are each up 1,100.

NASHUA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment decreased by 300 from February and the unemployment rate was 3.6 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.1 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 150 workers from February as manufacturing was down 50 and nonmanufacturing was up 200. Compared to the year ago level, nonagricultural employment has increased by 1,100 as manufacturing is down 1,200 while nonmanufacturing is up 2,300. In manufacturing, machinery and electrical products decreased by 900 from a year ago. In nonmanufacturing, services is up 800 and construction 400.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA ***					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Month	Year	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Month	Year	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	548,120	541,350	516,010	6,770	32,110	82,500	81,570	77,730	930	4,770	89,410	88,900	87,060	510	2,350
2. Unemployment	20,660	20,690	21,460	- 30	- 800	3,060	2,980	2,550	80	510	3,220	3,520	2,670	- 300	550
Percent of labor force	3.8	3.8	4.2	xxx	xxx	3.7	3.7	3.3	xxx	xxx	3.6	4.0	3.1	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	527,460	520,660	494,550	6,800	32,910	79,440	78,590	75,180	850	4,260	86,190	85,380	84,390	810	1,800
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	473,850	471,750	447,700	2,100	26,150	80,400	80,200	77,150	200	3,250	83,400	83,250	82,300	150	1,100
Manufacturing	121,650	122,100	124,000	- 450	-2,350	14,750	14,850	15,300	- 100	- 550	36,700	36,750	37,900	- 50	-1,200
Durable goods	83,600	83,550	85,400	50	-1,800	9,050	9,100	9,100	- 50	- 50	30,500	30,450	31,500	50	-1,000
Lumber & wood prods.	5,700	5,800	5,600	- 100	100										
Furniture & fixtures	1,750	1,800	1,600	- 50	150										
Stone & clay prods.	3,000	2,950	2,900	50	100										
Primary metal prods.	4,250	4,200	4,400	50	- 150										
Fabricated metal prods.	7,050	7,100	7,400	- 50	- 350										
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,850	25,750	26,200	100	- 350	5,450	5,500	5,800	- 50	- 350	23,100	23,000	24,000	100	- 900
Electrical prods.	24,600	24,600	26,450	0	-1,850										
Miscellaneous prods.	2,200	2,200	2,150	0	50										
Other durables	9,200	9,150	8,700	50	500	3,600	3,600	3,300	0	300	7,400	7,450	7,500	- 50	- 100
Nondurable goods	38,050	38,550	38,600	- 500	- 550	5,700	5,750	6,200	- 50	- 500	6,200	6,300	6,400	- 100	- 200
Food & kindred prods.	3,200	3,300	3,000	- 100	200										
Textile mill prods.	3,750	3,650	3,800	100	- 50	1,500	1,550	1,750	- 50	- 250					
Apparel	2,550	2,600	2,550	- 50	0										
Paper & allied prods.	5,600	5,600	5,650	0	0										
Print., pub. & allied	7,100	7,150	7,250	- 50	- 150										
Leather & lea. prods.	5,350	5,550	5,400	- 200	- 50										
Other nondurables	10,500	10,700	10,950	- 200	- 450	4,200	4,200	4,450	0	- 250					
Nonmanufacturing	352,200	349,650	323,700	2,550	28,500	65,650	65,350	61,850	300	3,800	46,700	46,500	44,400	200	2,300
Construction (inc. min.)	32,600	32,700	25,150	- 100	7,450	5,050	5,100	3,950	- 50	1,100	3,700	3,700	3,300	0	400
Trans., comm. & util.	15,400	15,450	15,250	- 50	150	4,900	4,900	4,650	0	250	2,200	2,200	2,000	0	200
Trade	112,600	111,350	104,950	1,250	7,650	21,350	21,300	20,250	50	1,100	16,950	17,000	16,800	- 50	150
Fin., ins. & real estate	26,500	26,150	24,300	350	2,200	7,200	7,200	6,900	0	300	2,750	2,700	2,550	50	200
Service industry & other	103,050	102,350	94,600	700	8,450	19,350	19,150	18,650	200	700	14,950	14,800	14,150	150	800
Government	62,050	61,650	59,450	400	2,600	7,800	7,700	7,450	100	350	6,150	6,100	5,600	50	550
Federal	8,100	8,050	7,450	50	650	2,350	2,350	2,200	0	150	750	750	750	0	0
State	16,950	16,850	16,700	100	250	850	850	800	0	50	250	- 250	200	0	50
Local	37,000	36,750	35,300	250	1,700	4,600	4,500	4,450	100	150	5,150	5,100	4,650	50	500

* By place of residence

** By place of establishment
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Labor Disputes:

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

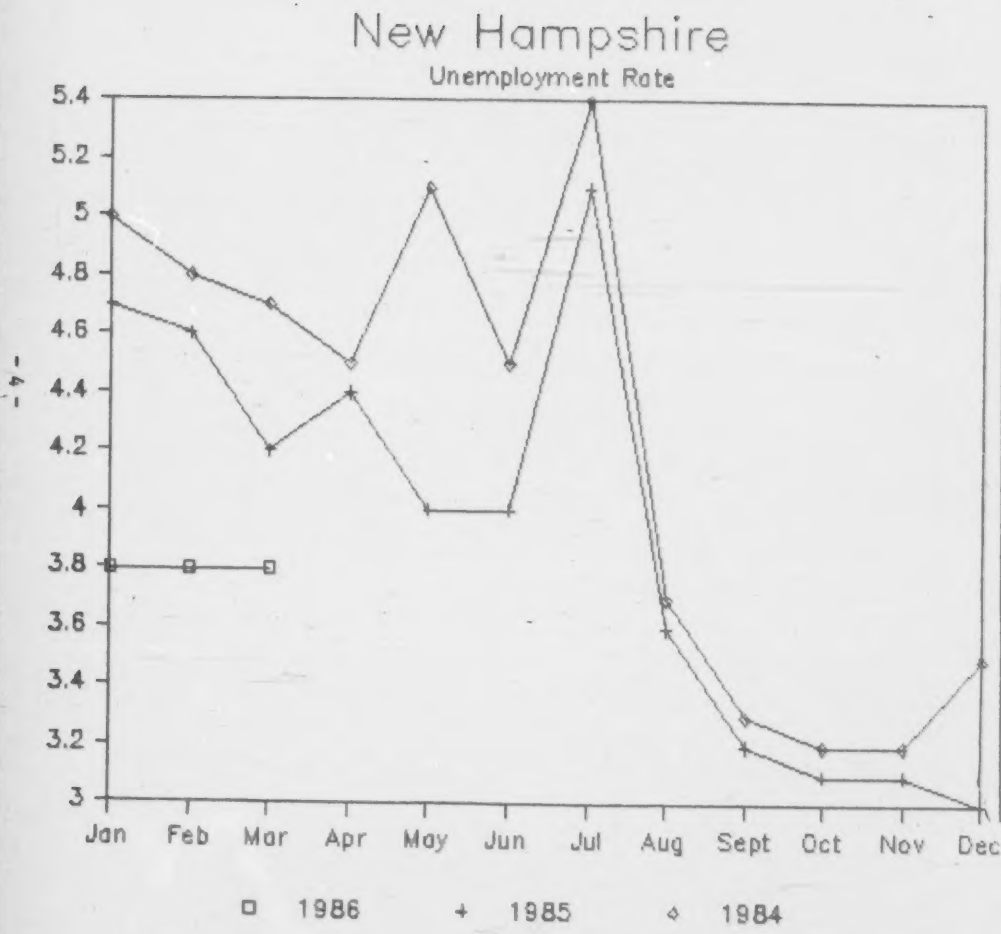
Area	Unemployment*								Civilian Labor Force				
	March 1986		February 1986		March 1985		Numerical Change From Previous		March 1986	February 1986	March 1985	Numerical Change From Previous	
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Month	Year				Month	Year
UNITED STATES**	8,667	7.5	9,041	7.8	8,625	7.5	-374	42	116,309	115,725	114,394	584	1,915
NEW HAMPSHIRE	20,660	3.8	20,690	3.8	21,460	4.2	-30	-800	548,120	541,350	516,010	6,770	32,110
BERLIN LMA	1,330	5.3	1,220	4.9	1,120	4.9	110	210	25,260	24,950	23,090	310	2,170
CLAREMONT LMA	850	2.3	870	2.4	1,040	3.0	-20	-190	37,360	37,020	34,720	340	2,640
CONCORD LMA	1,350	2.7	1,350	2.7	1,490	3.2	0	-140	49,570	49,110	46,020	460	3,550
KEENE LMA	1,200	3.0	1,060	2.7	1,140	3.1	140	60	40,080	39,420	37,120	660	2,960
LACONIA LMA	1,420	3.0	1,590	3.4	1,940	4.4	-170	-520	47,320	46,790	44,540	530	2,780
LITTLETON LMA	910	5.3	800	4.7	820	5.2	110	90	17,220	17,020	15,710	200	1,510
MANCHESTER MSA	3,060	3.7	2,980	3.7	2,550	3.3	80	510	82,310	81,570	77,730	940	4,780
NASHUA PMSA	3,220	3.6	3,520	4.0	2,670	3.1	-300	250	89,410	88,900	87,060	510	2,350
N.H. PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL MA. PMSA***	2,920	6.6	2,920	6.7	2,560	6.3	0	360	44,290	43,760	40,750	530	3,540
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER N.H.-ME.	3,950	3.3	4,070	3.4	5,400	4.7	-120	-1,450	120,580	118,760	114,570	1,820	7,830
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREA****	750	4.4	720	4.4	960	6.1	30	-210	16,960	16,190	15,810	770	1,150
N.H. PORTION LOWELL MA. PMSA	260	5.5	270	5.8	200	4.4	-10	60	4,770	4,680	4,540	90	230
County													
BELKNAP	750	3.1	800	3.3	1,190	5.2	-50	-440	24,300	24,000	23,040	300	1,260
CARROLL	430	2.6	460	2.8	580	3.8	-30	-150	16,570	16,380	15,460	190	1,110
CHESHIRE	1,090	3.0	970	2.7	1,060	3.2	120	30	35,870	35,280	33,240	590	2,630
COOS	1,450	6.8	1,280	6.1	1,090	5.7	170	360	21,250	20,930	19,250	320	2,000
GRAFTON	1,170	3.1	1,220	3.3	1,260	3.7	-50	-90	37,290	36,990	34,520	300	2,700
HILLSBOROUGH	6,300	3.7	6,570	3.9	5,380	3.3	-270	920	171,900	170,240	164,340	1,660	7,560
MERRIMACK	1,770	3.0	1,680	2.9	1,780	3.3	90	-10	58,660	57,970	54,510	690	4,150
ROCKINGHAM	5,180	4.7	5,270	4.9	5,030	4.9	-90	150	109,750	108,160	102,460	1,590	7,290
STRAFFORD	2,040	3.8	1,940	3.7	3,470	6.8	100	-1,430	53,180	52,220	51,160	960	2,020
SULLIVAN	480	2.5	500	2.6	620	3.4	-20	-140	19,350	19,180	18,030	170	1,320

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA — includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA — is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1986	1985	1984	1983
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current month - March	321.4			
Percent change from year ago	1.9			
Year average		318.5	307.6	297.4
Percent increase each year		3.5	3.4	3.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - March	326.0			
Percent change from year ago	2.3			
Year average		322.2	311.1	298.4
Percent increase each year		3.6	4.3	3.2

Population by Sex and Minority Status - New Hampshire Counties
and Metropolitan Statistical Areas

1985

Area	Total	Total Minority	Total Non-white	Black	American Indian	Japanese & Chinese	All Other	Hispanic
New Hampshire	1,014,330	15,946	10,135	4,665	1,461	3,667	342	5,811
Male	494,170	8,171	5,076	2,517	846	1,541	172	3,095
Female	520,160	7,775	5,059	2,148	615	2,126	170	2,716
Belknap	47,180	384	228	50	102	74	2	156
Male	23,120	199	121	30	59	30	2	78
Female	24,060	185	107	20	43	44	0	78
Carroll	31,110	202	89	14	40	29	6	113
Male	15,120	93	32	7	20	2	3	61
Female	15,990	109	57	7	20	27	3	52
Cheshire	66,630	508	306	93	98	93	22	202
Male	32,010	274	151	51	72	19	9	123
Female	34,620	234	155	42	26	74	13	79
Coos	35,030	157	92	5	49	29	9	65
Male	16,940	74	50	3	27	15	5	24
Female	18,090	83	42	2	22	14	4	41
Grafton	70,800	1,309	975	451	149	346	29	334
Male	35,120	762	567	277	91	193	6	195
Female	35,680	547	408	174	58	153	23	139
Hillsborough	306,510	5,992	3,304	1,671	316	1,213	104	2,688
Male	148,280	3,053	1,655	889	126	585	55	1,398
Female	158,230	2,939	1,649	782	190	628	49	1,290
Merrimack	106,530	1,283	807	332	176	238	61	476
Male	51,350	598	369	173	88	78	30	229
Female	55,180	685	438	159	88	160	31	247
Rockingham	215,870	4,441	3,273	1,725	350	1,174	24	1,168
Male	107,110	2,226	1,596	894	255	434	13	630
Female	108,760	2,215	1,677	831	95	740	11	538
Strafford	95,700	1,381	911	292	123	428	68	470
Male	46,180	734	460	174	65	185	36	274
Female	49,520	647	451	118	58	243	32	196
Sullivan	38,970	289	150	32	58	43	17	139
Male	18,940	158	75	19	43	0	13	83
Female	20,030	131	75	13	15	43	4	56

SOURCE: New Hampshire Affirmative Action 1985 - Copies of this report are available upon request.

Weekly Claims Filed During March 1986
Classified by Local Office

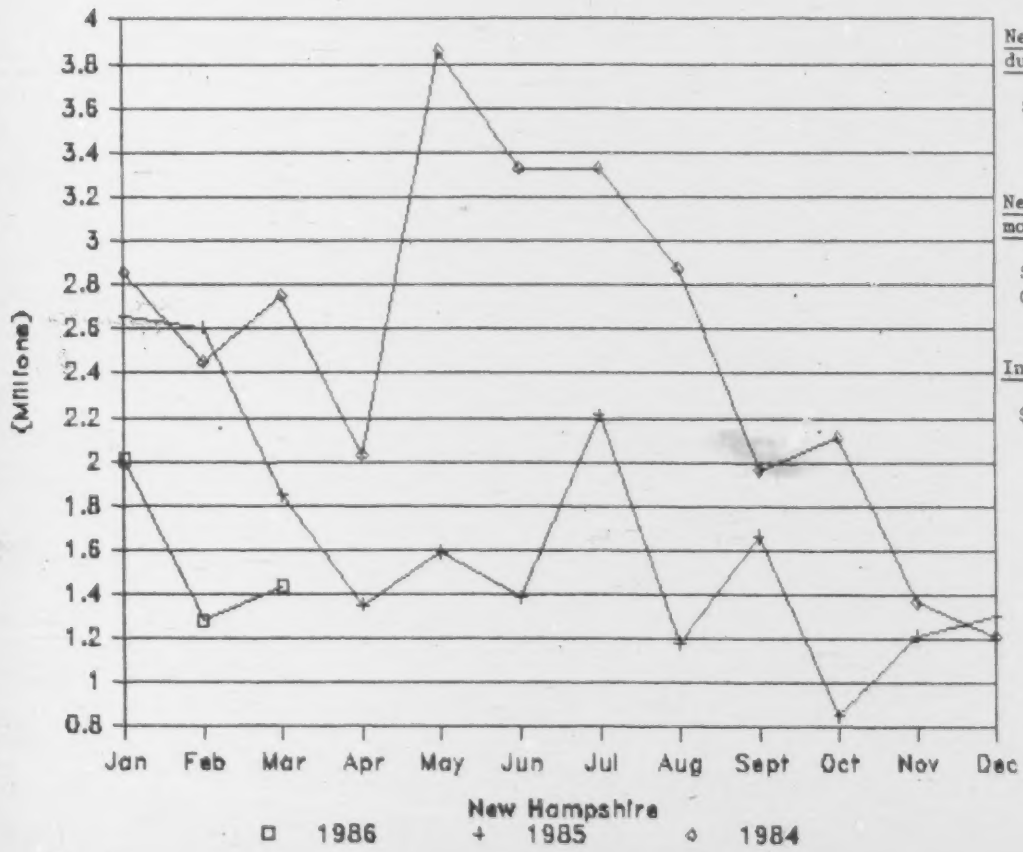
Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	3,533	14,709	6	26	11	14	23	75	21	54
Berlin	199	1,147	0	5	0	0	0	3	0	8
Claremont	147	378	0	0	4	4	0	1	0	2
Concord	215	1,010	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Conway	73	225	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Dover	524	1,776	3	6	2	1	4	21	6	18
Keene	197	781	0	1	2	6	1	7	0	3
Laconia	205	952	1	2	0	0	1	8	1	0
Lebanon	54	258	0	0	1	1	0	4	2	1
Littleton	203	805	0	0	1	2	0	6	0	0
Manchester	727	2,925	0	2	0	0	4	6	2	5
Nashua	278	1,434	0	2	0	0	1	8	3	6
Portsmouth	432	1,352	0	2	0	0	8	9	5	3
Salem	115	403	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	0
Liable Interstate	164	1,263	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	6

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $111.24

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$120,545,936.33

Unemployment Benefits Paid Monthly



Net contributions received during month:

$ 116,982.81

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 1,436,671.27
Corrected data for Feb. 1,284,075.74

Interest Received:

$ 0

AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
All manufacturing	$357.82	$356.34	$336.18	40.8	41.1	40.7	$8.77	$8.67	$8.26
Durable goods	369.90	368.46	348.50	41.1	41.4	41.0	9.00	8.90	8.50
Lumber & wood prods.	256.32	256.51	256.63	38.2	38.4	39.3	6.71	6.68	6.53
Furniture & fixtures	276.19	274.82	270.86	39.4	39.6	39.6	7.01	6.94	6.84
Stone & clay prods.	337.39	350.70	321.59	40.6	41.7	40.3	8.31	8.41	7.98
Primary metal prods.	400.01	395.43	367.04	42.6	41.8	41.9	9.39	9.46	8.76
Fab. metal prods.	334.54	337.33	313.18	38.9	39.5	40.1	8.60	8.54	7.81
Mach. (exc. elec.)	413.54	407.59	385.88	43.9	44.4	43.8	9.42	9.18	8.81
Electrical prods.	393.41	388.14	360.77	40.6	40.6	39.3	9.69	9.56	9.18
Miscellaneous prods.	251.59	273.74	277.13	36.2	38.5	41.8	6.95	7.11	6.63
Other durables	375.50	380.30	362.75	41.4	41.7	41.6	9.07	9.12	8.72
Nondurable goods	332.03	333.33	310.80	40.1	40.6	40.0	8.28	8.21	7.77
Food & kindred prods.	389.60	365.93	373.92	40.0	38.6	41.0	9.74	9.48	9.12
Textile mill prods.	304.83	308.06	275.49	41.7	42.2	40.1	7.31	7.30	6.87
Apparel	220.75	229.71	210.92	37.1	39.2	37.2	5.95	5.86	5.67
Paper & allied prods.	460.20	459.36	425.49	47.2	47.8	45.9	9.75	9.61	9.27
Print., pub. & allied	350.68	366.11	313.08	38.2	40.1	38.7	9.18	9.13	8.09
Leather & lea. prods.	187.58	188.48	189.04	33.2	33.9	34.0	5.65	5.56	5.56
Footwear	169.92	175.10	175.43	32.0	33.1	33.1	5.31	5.29	5.30
Other nondurables	367.00	366.96	340.31	41.8	41.7	41.4	8.78	8.80	8.22

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 55%

Total Production Workers: 84,100

Firms Reporting: 367

Manchester MSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985
All manufacturing	$351.88	$352.19	$321.60	40.4	41.0	40.1	$8.71	$8.59	$8.02
Durable goods	359.08	359.68	346.58	39.2	39.7	40.3	9.16	9.06	8.60
Mach. & elec. prods.	367.72	361.67	352.10	40.1	40.5	40.8	9.17	8.93	8.63
Other durables	347.32	355.74	338.52	38.0	38.5	39.5	9.14	9.24	8.57
Nondurable goods	340.85	341.20	286.56	42.5	43.3	39.8	8.02	7.88	7.20
Textiles & apparel	303.16	301.18	271.49	42.4	42.6	40.4	7.15	7.07	6.72
Other nondurables	355.73	356.27	291.85	42.5	43.5	39.6	8.37	8.19	7.37

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 61%

Total Production Workers: 10,800

Firms Reporting: 45

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	Mar. 1985	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1986	May. 1985
All manufacturing	$440.96	$418.14	$398.11	41.6	41.4	41.0	10.60	10.10	$9.71
Durable goods	450.60	424.74	404.74	41.8	41.6	41.3	10.78	10.21	9.80
Mach. & elec. prods.	499.80	461.47	431.83	42.5	41.8	40.7	11.76	11.04	10.61
Other durables	336.04	342.78	339.34	40.1	41.2	42.9	8.38	8.32	7.91
Nondurable goods	401.13	392.04	369.21	40.6	40.5	39.7	9.88	9.68	9.30

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 58%

Total Production Workers: 20,300

Firms Reporting: 72

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category
Period Ending March 1986

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	12,071	5,308	2,334	1,169	1,048	484
Prof., Tech. (00-16)						
Managerial (18,19)	1,658	572	229	88	202	55
Clerical (20-24)	2,171	1,779	425	337	219	169
Sales (25-29)	581	275	152	66	42	24
Services (3)	1,876	1,107	376	217	98	54
Farm (4)	150	25	12	1	13	2
Processing (5)	212	50	39	9	41	5
Machine Trade (6)	1,049	346	214	105	96	29
Benchwork (7)	1,189	789	403	257	140	93
Structural (8)	1,927	109	270	30	65	4
Miscellaneous (9)	1,215	233	207	54	125	43
Unclassified	43	23	7	5	7	6

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	March 1986	February 1986	July 1, 1985 To March 31, 1986
Total applicants for employment	2,681	1,109	15,408
Total nonagricultural job openings received	2,114	1,657	21,704
Job openings unfilled end of month	1,668	1,544	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	956	695	11,098

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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

A REPORT BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY PREPARED IN COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

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April 86-4

SUMMARY: Total unemployment decreased by 1,830 from March dropping from 20,660 unemployed to 18,830. The unemployment rate dropped to 3.4 percent from 3.8 percent. A year ago there were 22,840 unemployed and an unemployment rate of 4.4 percent. Nationally, the unemployment rate was 7.0 percent in April, 7.5 percent in March and 7.1 percent a year ago. Based on the latest data available by state, (March 1986) New Hampshire has had the lowest unemployment rate of any state for the past eight consecutive months.

All areas except Berlin and Littleton experienced unemployment decreases in April. Employment losses occurred in manufacturing as scattered layoffs were reported in electrical products, apparel, paper and allied products, as well as in footwear and rubber and plastic products. In the northern part of the state, layoffs occurred in logging operations due to the "mud season" and layoffs in trade and services were reported as a result of the end of the skiing season. The Concord and Claremont areas tied for the lowest unemployment rate in the state with 2.1 percent unemployed. The highest unemployment rates were 6.6 percent in the Littleton area and 6.2 percent in the Berlin area. Compared to a year ago, all areas experienced unemployment decreases with the largest decrease of 1,040 occurring in the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH - ME MSA. Overall, most of the employment growth in the past year has been concentrated in construction and in trade and services. Manufacturing employment has slowed during the past year as layoffs have occurred particularly in electrical products and rubber and plastic products.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 6,600 from March and is up 26,300 over a year ago. Manufacturing is down 150 from last month and 2,000 from last year, while nonmanufacturing is up 6,750 from March and 28,300 from a year ago. Services is up 8,800, construction 7,650 and trade 6,950.

MANCHESTER ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment decreased by 760 from March as the rate dropped from 3.7 to 2.8 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 850 from March and by 2,450 from a year ago. While manufacturing is down 950, nonmanufacturing is up 3,400. Construction has increased 1,050 from last year, services 850, and trade 750.

NASHUA ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Total unemployment decreased by 260 from March as the rate went from 3.6 to 3.3 percent. A year ago the rate was 3.5 percent. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment increased by 250 from March as manufacturing was up 100 and nonmanufacturing 150. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural employment has increased 650 as manufacturing is down 650 while nonmanufacturing is up 1,300. Machinery and electrical products is down 500 from last year while services is up 600.

New Hampshire Labor Force, Total Employment and Unemployment and Nonagricultural
Wage and Salary Employment as of the Middle of the Month

Industry	State					Manchester MSA***					Nashua PMSA				
	Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous		Number of Workers			Numerical Change From Previous	
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Month	Year	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Month	Year	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Month	Year
1. Civilian labor force*	559,600	548,120	523,530	11,480	36,070	83,430	82,510	79,120	920	4,310	89,840	89,410	87,930	430	1,910
2. Unemployment	18,830	20,660	22,840	- 1,830	- 4,010	2,300	3,060	2,540	-760	-240	2,960	3,220	3,250	-260	-90
Percent of labor force	3.4	3.8	4.4	xxx	xxx	2.8	3.7	3.2	xxx	xxx	3.3	3.6	3.5	xxx	xxx
3. Employment total	540,770	527,460	500,690	13,310	40,080	81,130	79,450	76,580	1,680	4,550	86,880	86,190	84,880	690	2,000
4. Persons involved in labor disputes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nonagri. wage & salary**	480,200	473,600	453,900	6,600	26,300	81,200	80,350	78,750	850	2,450	83,600	83,350	82,950	250	650
Manufacturing	121,250	121,400	123,250	-150	-2,000	14,550	14,700	15,500	-150	-950	36,800	36,700	37,450	100	-650
Durable goods	83,700	83,500	84,450	200	-750	9,000	9,050	9,150	-50	-150	30,550	30,500	31,050	50	-500
Lumber & wood prods.	5,750	5,700	5,550	50	200										
Furniture & fixtures	1,700	1,750	1,600	-50	100										
Stone & clay prods.	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0										
Primary metal prods.	4,450	4,300	4,300	150	150										
Fabricated metal prods.	7,000	7,000	7,150	0	-150				Machinery And Electrical Products Combined						
Machinery (exc. elec.)	25,800	25,800	25,900	0	-100										
Electrical prods.	24,500	24,600	26,100	-100	-1,600	5,350	5,450	5,850	-100	-500	23,150	23,100	23,650	50	-500
Miscellaneous prods.	2,200	2,200	2,200	0	0										
Other durables	9,300	9,150	8,650	150	650	3,650	3,600	3,300	50	350	7,400	7,400	7,400	0	0
Nondurable goods	37,550	37,900	38,800	-350	-1,250	5,550	5,650	6,350	-100	-800	6,250	6,200	6,400	50	-150
Food & kindred prods.	3,250	3,250	3,000	0	250										
Textile mill prods.	3,650	3,650	3,800	0	-150										
Apparel	2,450	2,550	2,550	-100	-100	1,450	1,500	1,750	-50	-300					
Paper & allied prods.	5,500	5,600	5,650	-100	-150										
Print., pub. & allied	7,100	7,050	7,350	50	-250										
Leather & lea. prods.	5,300	5,350	5,300	-50	0										
Other nondurables	10,300	10,450	11,150	-150	-850	4,100	4,150	4,600	-50	-500					
Nonmanufacturing	358,950	352,200	330,650	6,750	28,300	66,650	65,650	63,250	1,000	3,400	46,800	46,650	45,500	150	1,300
Construction (inc. min.)	36,000	32,600	28,350	3,400	7,650	5,350	5,050	4,300	300	1,050	3,750	3,700	3,650	50	100
Trans., comm. & util.	15,450	15,400	15,300	50	150	4,850	4,850	4,600	0	250	2,200	2,200	2,100	0	100
Trade	114,850	112,600	107,900	2,250	6,950	21,600	21,300	20,850	300	750	16,800	16,950	16,950	-150	-150
Fin., ins. & real estate	27,050	26,500	24,750	550	2,300	7,300	7,200	6,950	100	350	2,750	2,700	2,600	50	150
Service industry & other	103,550	103,050	94,750	500	8,800	19,700	19,400	18,850	300	850	15,150	14,950	14,550	200	600
Government	62,050	62,050	59,600	0	2,450	7,850	7,850	7,700	0	150	6,150	6,150	5,650	0	500
Federal	8,150	8,100	7,650	50	500	2,400	2,400	2,300	0	100	750	750	800	0	-50
State	16,900	16,950	16,650	-50	250	850	850	850	0	0	250	250	200	0	50
Local	37,000	37,000	35,300	0	1,700	4,600	4,600	4,550	0	50	5,150	5,150	4,650	0	500

* By place of residence

** By place of establishment
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*** Not Validated By The Bureau Of Labor Statistics

Labor Disputes:

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

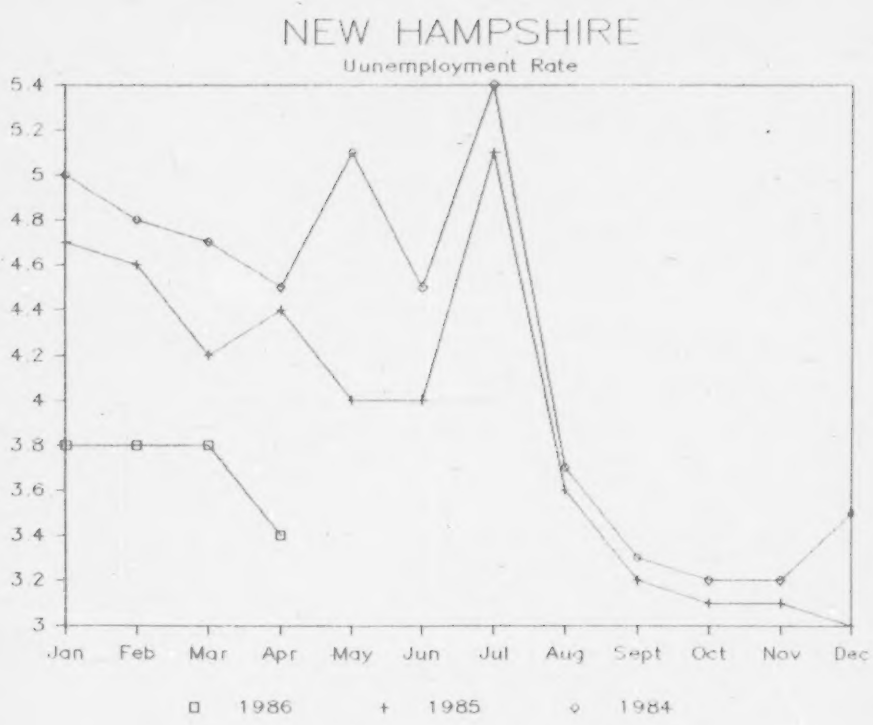
Area	Unemployment*						Numerical Change From Previous		Civilian Labor Force			Numerical Change From Previous	
	April 1986		March 1986		April 1985				April	March	April		
	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Month	Year	1986	1986	1985	Month	Year
UNITED STATES**	8,115	7.0	8,667	7.5	8,150	7.1	-552	-35	116,316	116,309	114,325	7	1,991
NEW HAMPSHIRE	18,830	3.4	20,660	3.8	22,840	4.4	-1,830	-4,010	559,600	548,120	523,530	11,480	36,070
BERLIN LMA	1,560	6.2	1,330	5.3	1,740	7.7	230	-180	25,080	25,260	22,670	-180	2,410
CLARFMONT LMA	800	2.1	850	2.3	1,190	3.4	-50	-390	38,080	37,360	35,130	720	2,950
CONCORD LMA	1,080	2.1	1,350	2.7	1,510	3.2	-270	-430	51,370	49,570	46,900	1,800	4,470
KEENE LMA	1,040	2.5	1,200	3.0	1,400	3.7	-160	-360	41,160	40,080	37,600	1,080	3,560
LACONIA LMA	1,270	2.6	1,420	3.0	1,970	4.3	-150	-700	49,700	47,320	45,760	2,380	3,940
LITTLETON LMA	1,130	6.6	910	5.3	1,260	8.2	220	-130	17,130	17,220	15,340	-90	1,790
MANCHESTER MSA	2,300	2.8	3,060	3.7	2,540	3.2	-760	-240	83,430	82,510	79,120	920	4,310
NASHUA PMSA	2,960	3.3	3,220	3.6	3,050	3.5	-260	-90	89,840	89,410	87,930	430	1,910
N.H. PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL MA. PMSA***	2,580	5.8	2,920	6.6	2,710	6.5	-340	-130	44,380	44,290	41,530	90	2,850
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER N.H.-ME.	3,650	2.9	3,950	3.3	4,690	4.0	-300	-1,040	124,860	120,580	116,750	4,280	8,110
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREA****	630	3.5	750	4.4	960	5.8	-120	-330	17,780	16,960	16,420	820	1,360
N.H. PORTION LOWELL MA. PMSA	230	4.7	260	5.5	250	5.4	-30	-20	4,860	4,770	4,650	90	210
County													
BELKNAP	710	2.8	750	3.1	1,130	4.8	-40	-420	25,540	24,300	23,580	1,240	1,960
CARROLL	460	2.7	430	2.6	710	4.6	30	-250	16,900	16,570	15,460	330	1,440
CHESHIRE	930	2.5	1,090	3.0	1,300	3.9	-160	-370	36,820	35,870	33,680	950	3,140
COOS	1,700	8.0	1,450	6.8	1,640	8.7	250	60	21,150	21,250	18,910	-100	2,240
GRAFTON	1,290	3.4	1,170	3.1	1,710	4.9	120	-420	37,990	37,290	34,700	700	3,290
HILLSBOROUGH	5,420	3.1	6,300	3.7	5,910	3.5	-880	-490	173,880	171,900	166,900	1,980	6,980
MERRIMACK	1,230	2.0	1,770	3.0	1,870	3.4	-540	-640	60,440	58,660	55,650	1,780	4,790
ROCKINGHAM	4,730	4.2	5,180	4.7	4,870	4.7	-450	-140	112,050	109,750	104,410	2,300	7,640
STRAFFORD	1,900	3.4	2,040	3.8	3,000	5.8	-140	-1,100	55,100	53,180	52,000	1,920	3,100
SULLIVAN	460	2.3	480	2.5	710	3.9	-20	-250	19,730	19,350	18,250	380	1,480

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.



AREA DEFINITIONS

Manchester MSA includes the city of Manchester and towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, Hooksett.

Nashua PMSA is located in the southern section of Hillsborough County and includes the City of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Greenville, Hollis, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton.

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1986	1985	1984	1983
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers				
Current month - April	320.4			
Percent change from year ago	1.2			
Year average		318.5	307.6	297.4
Percent increase each year		3.5	3.4	3.0
All Urban Consumers				
Current month - April	325.3			
Percent change from year ago	1.6			
Year average		322.2	311.1	298.4
Percent increase each year		3.6	4.3	3.2

FIRMS BY SIZE -- UNIT, EMPLOYEES AND WAGES -- AUGUST 1985
Department of Employment Security
Economic Analysis & Reports,

Based on Unemployment Compensation Coverage

All Industries — 1972 SIC

Employee-size grouping	Units		Employees		Total Wages Third quarter 1985	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	26,368	100.0	413,978	100.0	$1,708,481,434	100.0
1 - 3	11,309	42.88	20,218	4.88	82,337,185	4.81
4	2,068	7.84	8,272	1.99	29,423,013	1.72
5	1,684	6.38	8,420	2.03	29,993,401	1.75
6	1,270	4.81	7,620	1.84	26,380,604	1.54
7	999	3.78	6,993	1.68	24,277,893	1.42
8	819	3.10	6,552	1.58	23,344,515	1.36
9	654	2.48	5,886	1.42	20,772,088	1.21
10 - 19	3,243	12.29	43,597	10.53	155,805,751	9.11
20 - 49	2,123	8.05	63,824	15.41	229,919,175	13.45
50 - 99	753	2.85	51,293	12.39	196,348,161	11.49
100 - 249	403	1.52	60,792	14.68	237,628,871	13.90
250 - 499	105	0.39	35,071	8.47	139,497,483	8.16
500 - 999	54	0.20	39,221	9.47	165,215,238	9.67
1,000 & over	26	0.09	56,219	13.58	343,707,669	20.11
No employment in August and wages in quarter	858	3.25			3,830,381	0.22

Note: Total Wages may not add due to rounding.
Percents do not add due to rounding.

Comments: Employment increased 4.9 percent or 19,214 workers from August 1984. New Hampshire continued to experience a strong and expanding economy during the report period. Manufacturing lost 4,301 jobs or 3.4 percent from August 1984, and in August 1985 accounted for 121,082 workers or 29.2 percent of all employed. Nonmanufacturing gained 23,515 workers and accounted for 70.8 percent of all workers. Construction posted a very significant gain of 31.4 percent or 8,436 jobs. Trade increased by 4.4 percent or 4,854 jobs, and services was up 8.3 percent or 7,775 jobs.

Firms employing less than 100 workers accounted for 53.8 percent of all workers and 94.5 percent of all firms. Seven out of every ten firms in New Hampshire employ less than ten workers.

Total wages paid of $1,708,481,434 in the third quarter of 1985 represented a 13.1 percent gain from the same period a year ago. Manufacturing represented 36.5 percent of the total private industry wages while trade and services combined accounted for 41.2 percent. Manufacturing wages increased 4.0 percent and nonmanufacturing wages 19.1 percent during the report period.

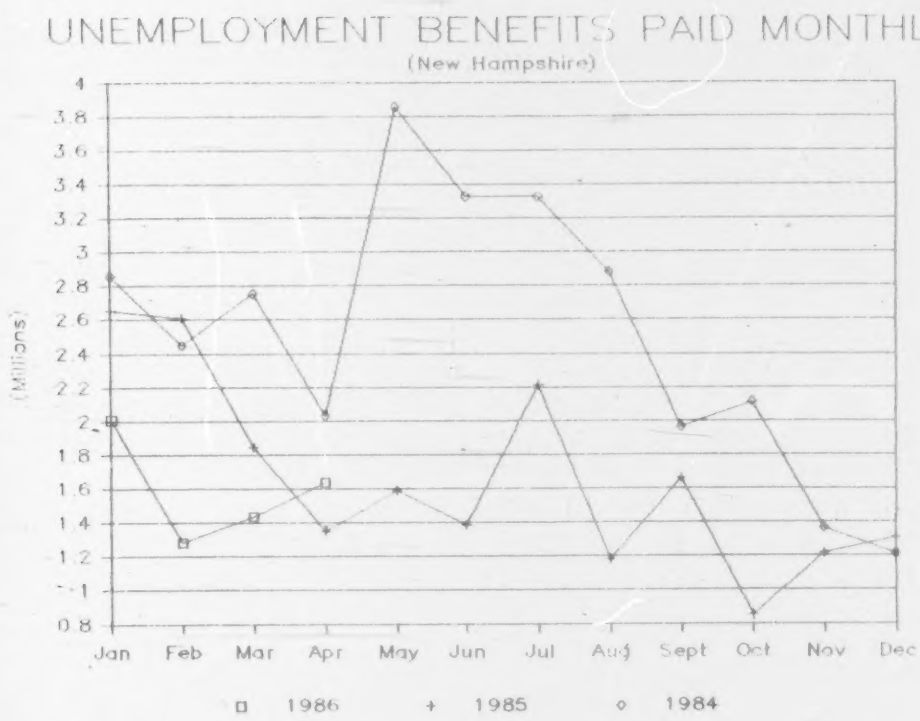
Weekly Claims Filed During
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation		U.C. State Workers (Only)		UC Local Government		Servicemen UCX (Only)		U.C. Federal Employees No UI	
	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.	Int.	Cont.	Init.	Cont.
All Offices	4,037	14,947	6	41	8	21	35	74	46	56
Berlin	328	1,543	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1
Claremont	226	431	1	0	1	11	0	0	0	0
Concord	145	677	1	3	2	2	1	5	2	2
Conway	83	270	0	4	0	0	0	2	0	5
Dover	580	1,665	2	9	2	3	5	19	13	16
Keene	149	683	0	1	1	1	1	6	0	2
Laconia	268	842	0	4	0	0	4	3	0	0
Lebanon	54	225	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0
Littleton	253	1,010	1	9	2	1	3	5	1	3
Manchester	615	2,781	1	3	0	0	2	4	3	4
Nashua	364	1,385	0	0	0	2	8	3	1	5
Portsmouth	430	1,690	0	0	0	0	3	22	18	5
Salem	153	477	0	5	0	0	5	1	0	0
Liable Interstate	389	1,268	0	1	0	1	0	2	8	13

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $112.60

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$ 125,742,404.99



Net contributions received during month:

$ 6,831,538.99

Net benefits paid during month:

$ 1,635,069.49

Interest Received:

0

AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

New Hampshire

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
All manufacturing	$351.95	$359.86	$335.76	40.5	40.8	40.6	$8.69	$8.82	$8.27
Durable goods	369.33	373.19	349.32	40.9	41.1	41.0	9.03	9.08	8.52
Lumber & wood prods.	260.04	258.72	255.18	39.4	38.5	38.9	6.60	6.72	6.56
Furniture & fixtures	288.23	276.19	267.54	41.0	39.4	39.0	7.03	7.01	6.86
Stone & clay prods.	345.65	336.15	342.59	41.1	40.5	42.4	8.41	8.30	8.08
Primary metal prods.	401.04	394.57	371.18	42.8	42.2	41.8	9.37	9.35	8.88
Fab. metal prods.	339.83	339.08	310.85	39.7	39.2	39.7	8.56	8.65	7.83
Mach. (exc. elec.)	409.40	409.09	385.85	43.6	43.8	44.3	9.39	9.34	8.71
Electrical prods.	386.28	407.81	360.36	38.9	40.7	39.0	9.93	10.02	9.24
Miscellaneous prods.	266.19	252.31	286.37	38.3	36.2	42.3	6.95	6.97	6.77
Other durables	374.26	375.50	357.35	41.4	41.4	40.7	9.04	9.07	8.78
Nondurable goods	318.40	333.66	308.47	39.9	40.2	39.7	7.98	8.30	7.77
Food & kindred prods.	395.28	383.11	358.93	40.5	40.2	39.4	9.76	9.53	9.11
Textile mill prods.	306.29	302.63	267.63	41.9	41.4	39.3	7.31	7.31	6.81
Apparel	219.78	220.52	209.35	37.0	37.0	36.6	5.94	5.96	5.72
Paper & allied prods.	464.52	461.68	439.44	47.4	47.4	47.1	9.80	9.74	9.33
Print., pub. & allied	350.74	363.26	306.61	38.5	39.7	37.9	9.11	9.15	8.09
Leather & lea. prods.	185.08	189.50	190.70	32.3	33.6	34.8	5.73	5.64	5.48
Footwear	166.24	171.93	176.80	30.9	32.5	34.0	5.38	5.29	5.20
Other nondurables	365.03	364.97	334.97	41.2	41.1	40.8	8.86	8.88	8.21

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 58%

Total Production Workers: 83,450

Firms Reporting: 371

Manchester MSA*

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
All manufacturing	$352.96	$350.61	$321.60	40.2	40.3	40.2	$8.78	$8.70	$8.00
Durable goods	366.56	358.16	349.11	39.5	39.1	40.5	9.28	9.16	8.62
Mach. & elec. prods.	368.34	367.72	348.53	40.3	40.1	40.2	9.14	9.17	8.67
Other durables	364.21	345.49	350.96	38.5	37.8	41.0	9.46	9.14	8.56
Nondurable goods	329.57	340.00	283.06	41.3	42.5	39.7	7.98	8.00	7.13
Textiles & apparel	301.44	299.59	264.53	42.1	41.9	39.6	7.16	7.15	6.68
Other nondurables	340.71	355.26	290.14	41.0	42.7	39.8	8.31	8.32	7.29

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 60%

Total Production Workers: 10,700

Firms Reporting: 45

* Not Validated By The Bureau Of Labor Statistics

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985	Apr. 1986	Mar. 1986	Apr. 1985
All manufacturing	$427.18	$446.27	$395.22	40.8	42.3	40.4	$10.47	$10.55	$9.79
Durable goods	432.78	457.74	402.70	41.1	42.7	40.8	10.53	10.72	9.87
Mach. & elec. prods.	467.78	509.68	431.07	40.5	43.6	40.4	11.55	11.69	10.67
Other durables	354.88	339.82	331.93	42.5	40.6	41.7	8.35	8.37	7.96
Nondurable goods	403.13	399.10	368.16	39.6	40.6	39.0	10.18	9.83	9.44

Sample Percent of Production Workers: 62%

Total Production Workers: 20,450

Firms Reporting: 72

Number of Active Applicants and Female Applicants by Major Occupational Category
Period Ending April 30, 1986

	NEW HAMPSHIRE		MANCHESTER		NASHUA	
	Total	Female	Total	Female	Total	Female
TOTAL	11,082	5,073	2,104	998	1,674	716
Prof., Tech. (00-16)						
Managerial (18,19)	1,559	559	215	79	324	108
Clerical (20-24)	1,922	1,615	330	258	335	282
Sales (25-29)	528	245	113	47	69	38
Services (3)	1,808	1,104	316	176	194	115
Farm (4)	157	25	13	2	9	2
Processing (5)	193	58	43	11	29	14
Machine Trade (6)	991	334	206	85	118	35
Benchwork (7)	1,142	785	404	256	119	86
Structural (8)	1,686	111	248	32	348	19
Miscellaneous (9)	1,066	223	211	49	127	16
Unclassified	30	14	5	3	2	1

Employment Service Activity

ITEM	April 1986	March 1986	July 1, 1985 to April 30, 1986
Total applicants for employment	2,681	2,681	18,089
Total nonagricultural job openings received	2,722	2,114	24,426
Job openings unfilled end of month	2,384	1,668	xxx
Placements - nonagricultural & agricultural	1,032	956	12,130